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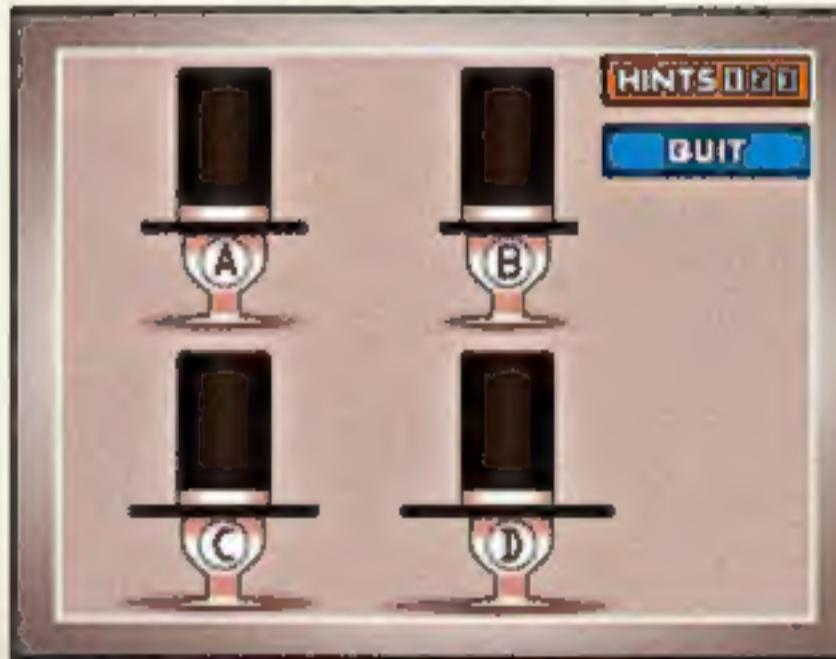


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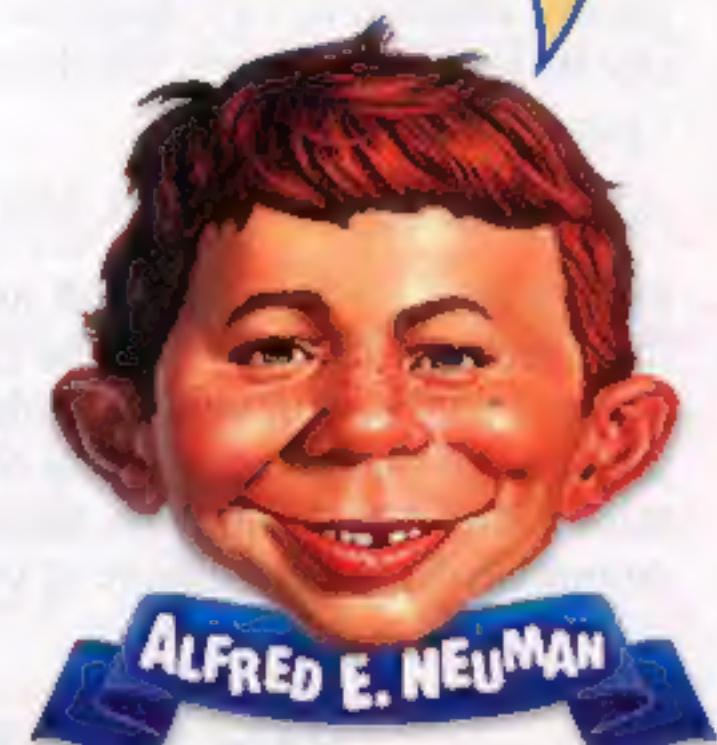
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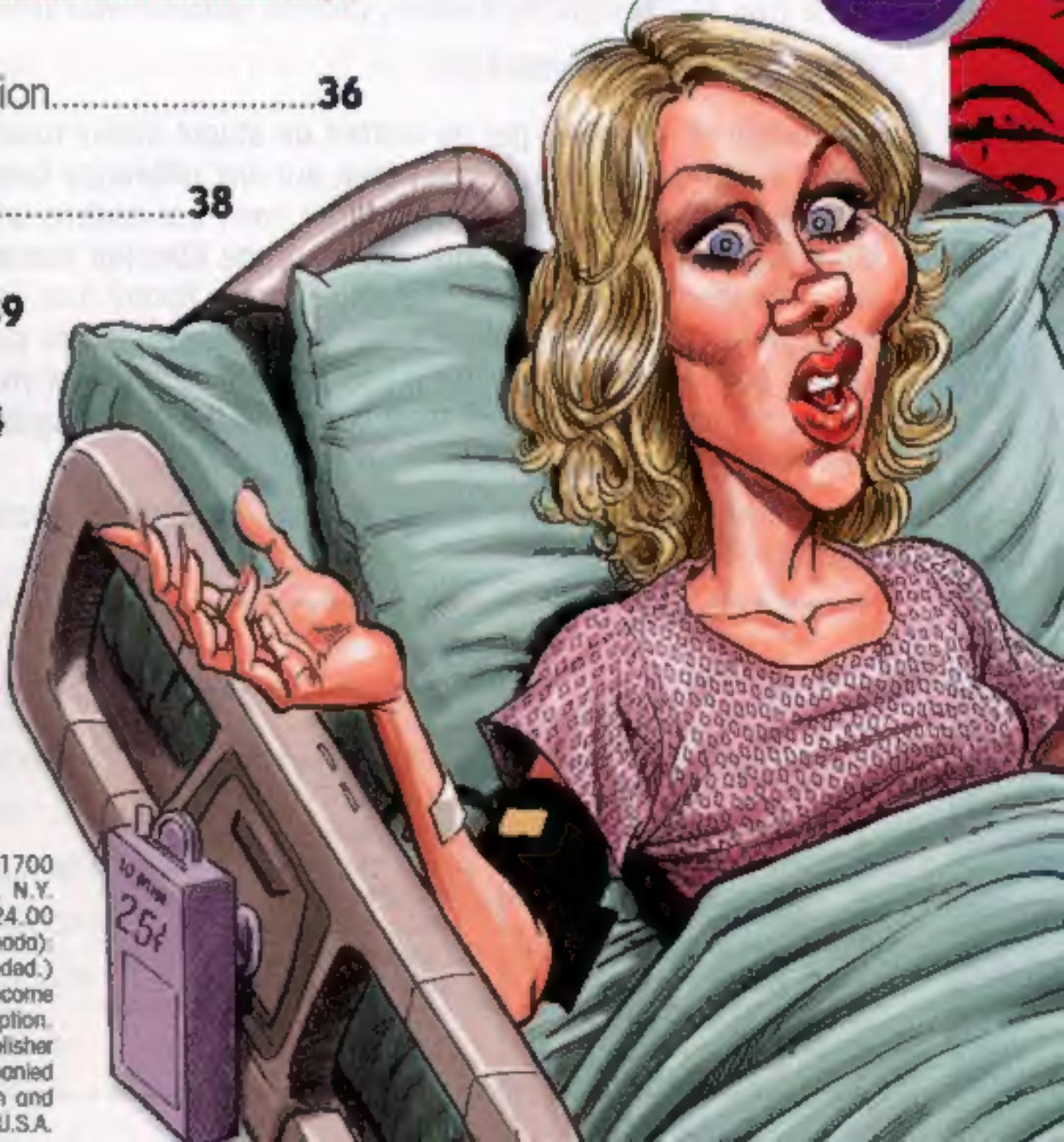
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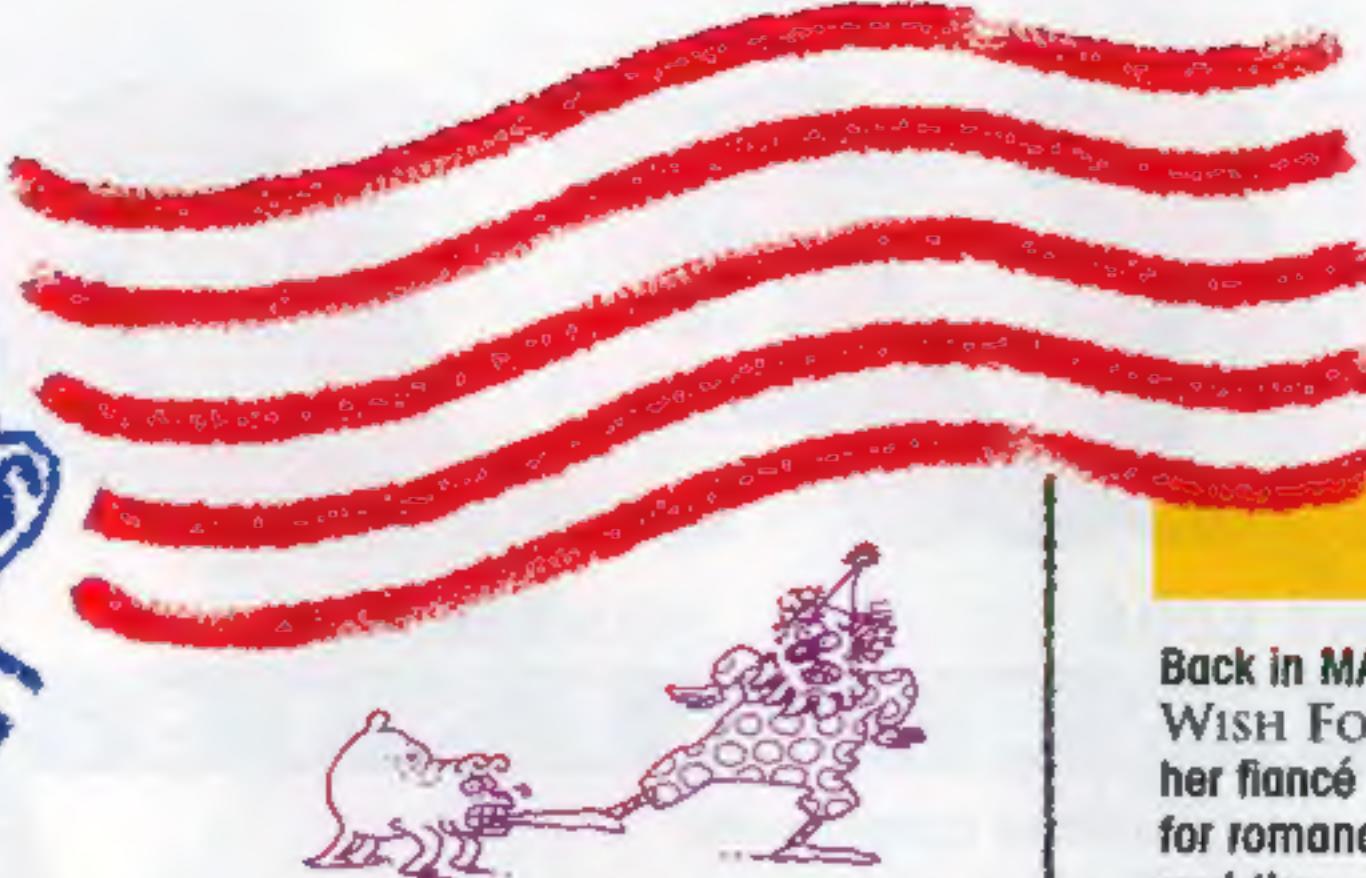
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I would like to tell you that for years I've been a faithful reader of MAD (I'm 56-years-old) and all that I've had to put up with over the years, because of your magazine. I have a subscription and I also have one for my youngest son Scott, who is 35. When I'm done with my MAD, I have to sneak it over to my oldest son Robert's house (who's 37) and give it to my grandson, Ryan. But when his mother Theresa finds your magazine, she calls me up and gives me hell because she doesn't want her son to read all of the so-called sick sections of MAD! Can you please explain to my daughter-in-law how cool it is to read MAD and not to get uptight with his grandpa — otherwise there'll be nothing when I pass away!

Ralph Marston, Abington, MA

Ralph Malph — Your letter left us with more questions than answers. The only thing that will be left when you pass away will be your MAD subscriptions? Perhaps that's what your daughter-in-law is really pissed about! That's not much of an inheritance, Ralph! Maybe stop forcing Sergio Aragones down their throats and buy them some saving bonds! But all in all, we appreciate you corrupting three generations of your family — see ya in family court! —Ed.

BOOK, LINE AND SINKER

I am so angry at the library right now. You see, my subscription to MAD ended a few months ago, so lately I've been going to my public library to borrow MAD. But now they have a dumb rule that you can't take out the latest issue, so I was really hoping I could get my letter in MAD and get a free subscription. Please, please, please and finally please.

Chris Behen, Danvers, MA

Big Behen — Oh don't get us started on stupid library rules! Our local library has a bunch of them! You can't take out any reference books! You can't take your shirt off while making copies! You can't eat nachos while reading the encyclopedia! And, apparently, following the librarian home just to make sure she gets there safe, though technically not a library rule, is still strongly discouraged by local authorities! Sorry, you don't get a free subscription just for having your letter printed. But if you send us a photo of yourself and the head librarian holding an issue of MAD, we'll put it in the magazine and you'll get your free subscription! —Ed.

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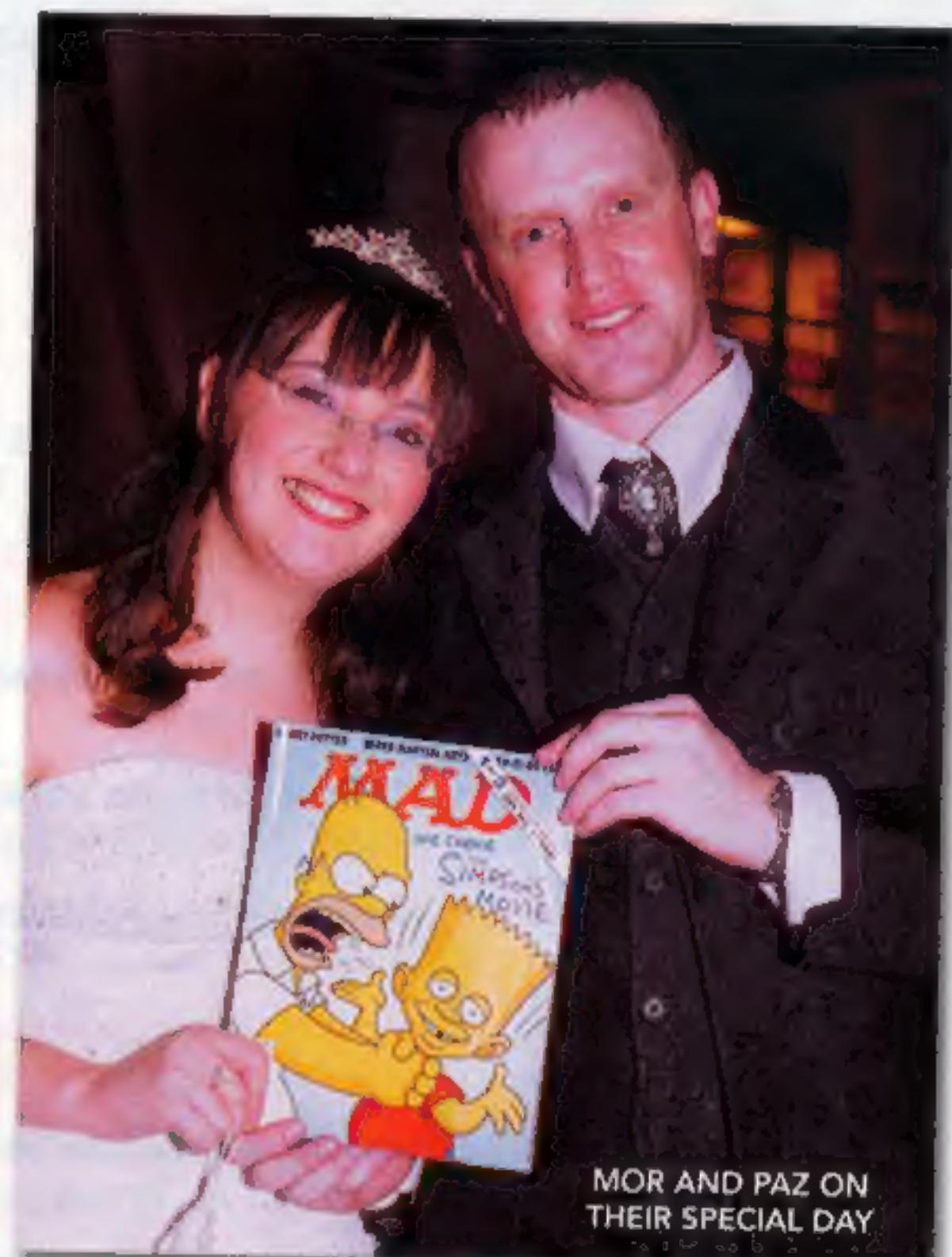


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Back in MAD #478, Mor Lurie wrote in to the MAKE A DUMB WISH FOUNDATION™ asking us to print a photo of her and her fiancé to present as a surprise wedding gift. Being suckers for romance (and cheap subscribers) we did print the photo, and then asked them to send us a photograph from their wedding day. Well, lo and behold, we opened up our e-mail and up popped the following:

As promised, here is our wedding picture with the guest of honor, MAD Magazine. As you can see, a good make-up artist and a smart photographer can make even freaky MAD-fans like us look normal (hee hee).

Mor and Paz Weinberger, Aviv, Israel



MOR AND PAZ ON
THEIR SPECIAL DAY

READER ALERT I

Whether you're a fan of Spy Vs. Spy, a fan of museums or a fan of museums that feature Spy Vs. Spy, be sure to check out the International Spy Museum in Washington, D.C.! The museum has exclusive Spy Vs. Spy apparel for sale in the gift shop as well as online! Check it out at www.spymuseum.org!



An important message from MAD's Director of Business & Development,

JEFFREY LOZENGE



Spring. The time of year when bees are busy pollinating the flowers, making honey and fluttering about their hives. The good hives — not the kind you get when you eat the wrong raspberries, and you break out in a painful rash and get all itchy and have to put that white ointment on your skin — you know, the stuff that sticks to the sheets. Boy, that's uncomfortable.

Which brings me to MAD. Yes, MAD — the magazine whose time is and was and continues to be — doesn't stick to skin, sheets or anything else. Which isn't to say it's not sticky. It's stuck around a long time.

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So the other night at Nordstrom at Tysons Corner Center, we had a chance to meet the Prince of Darkness (Ozzy Osbourne) himself! Just like bats, he decided to take a bite out of MAD. While he likes the taste, we like the content.

Mike and Cyndi Parker, Reston, VA

Meet the Parkers — Is it really accurate to still call Ozzy the "Prince of Darkness"? I mean, really, the guy is hanging out at a mall in suburban Virginia! Was he summoning the Dark Lord while waiting in line at Cinnabon? Maybe he was consulting with Mephistopheles while trying on performance fleeces at Old Navy? Or maybe he felt his spirit while enjoying the massage chair at Brookstone? Thanks for the snap anyway, you can look forward to receiving your one-year subscription to MAD! —Ed.



FATS ALL, FOLKS!

I have been reading MAD magazine since I was a kid. It was only a couple of years ago when I finally decided to subscribe to home delivery, but your February issue (#486) has made me reconsider my subscription. I was appalled by John Caldwell's piece entitled "When the Morbidly Obese Go Bad" (labeled "When Fatties Go Bad" on your cover). It was not only extraordinarily offensive, but put down an entire 30% of the population of the United States. Come on, guys. I appreciate a good fat joke once in awhile, but printing an entire two pages of aggressively abhorrent (and rather dumb) fat jokes is not okay. Stick to what you're good at, MAD...making fun of popular culture, celebrities, politics and people's names. Now that I've had my say, I'm going to do what I've never done before...throw away one of my issues of MAD.

Andi Person, Gaithersburg, MD

Randi Andi — It was never our intention to offend 30% of America. We apologize and promise in the future to try harder to offend a much larger percentage! Remember, the obese may only make up 30% of the population, but they take up at least 60% of the land! —Ed.



HEART OF CLASS

I am a relatively recent subscriber to MAD and I couldn't contain my enthusiasm any longer (or that this is an assignment I need published for an English class). I'm a freshman in high school, weigh 85 pounds and am short with a handsome face, in an Alfred E. Neuman sort of way. Since reading your magazine I have become um...well...only the most popular guy in school (and no, I'm not home schooled!) The reason for this sudden popularity is that I study, memorize and stay up late hours reading MAD cover to cover in the privacy of my own home. This may go on days, weeks or even months. Then when everyone is least expecting it, I take your sophisticated jokes and your absurd sense of humor and portray them as my own (I already have the look). All of a sudden I am getting all sorts of looks from girls (I won't say what kind of looks). Even the upper classman have become my buddies affectionately tossing me through the air to the nearest dumpster. I have never had this much attention! I am desperately watching the mail box for my new MAD material and my report card with an A in English. I hope there won't be a glitch in getting me published. What, me worry?

Derek Parks, Wichita, KS

Parks! Who Goes There? — There's good news and bad news. The good news is that your letter is being published, so you'll get that A in English. The bad news is, now that you've outed yourself and admitted that you have all the cleverness of a bag of hammers, look to spend additional time in the dumpster as even more students turn on you! —Ed.

TO TEACH HIS OWN

I've been reading MAD since I was a kid and still subscribe. Not only does every issue continue to be just as good as the one before it, MAD helps us older guys be smarter dads. My friend George told his 14-year-old daughter she could get a tattoo only if, in 40 years from now, it works like a MAD Fold-in because she's going to have the additional flap to deal with. Also, I teach magazine production at the International Academy of Design & Technology and always use MAD as an example of a publication that honestly and truly understands its readers and never disappoints. Here's a photo of my class cramming for a final. Bad news is, the Academy just announced it's closing down its Toronto campus so next term will be our last. We're all sad but something just occurred to me. Do you think there might be a link between the school closing and the fact that we use MAD instead of textbooks?

Peter Carter, Ontario, Canada

Welcome Back Carter — Using MADs Instead of textbooks? Yeah, that's definitely part of the problem. Or it could just be the lousy teaching at the Institute! Good luck with unemployment! —Ed.



PETER'S CLASS



CORRECTION!

Due to gross incompetence, Dick "Stompy Ding Dong" DeBartolo's credit was omitted from the Friends of Monkey-Lini listing in last month's Monkey issue. As a result, editors T. Worthington Snoots, Goopy III and Baron von Whoopsie have all been severely reprimanded and had their tire swing privileges revoked indefinitely!

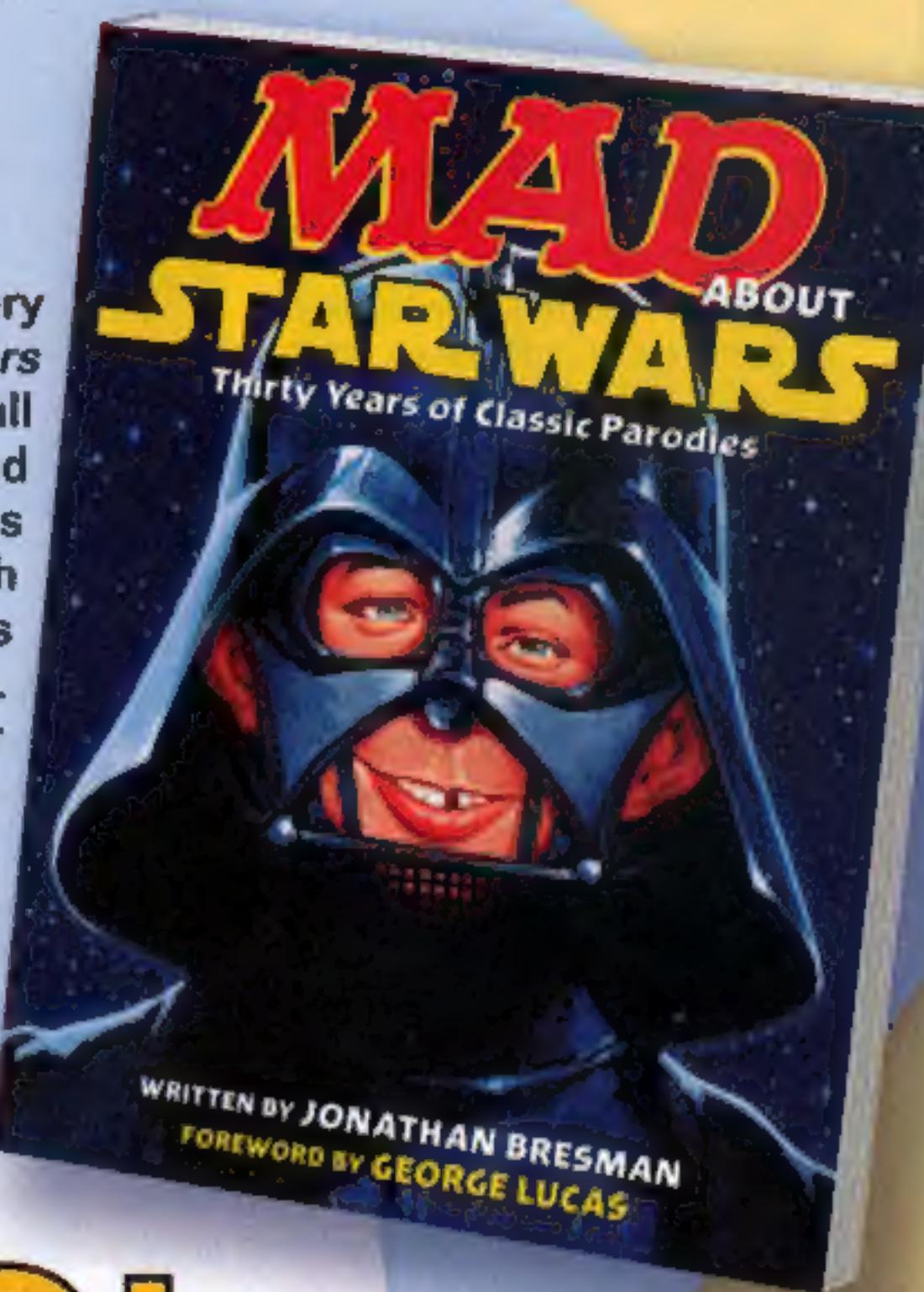
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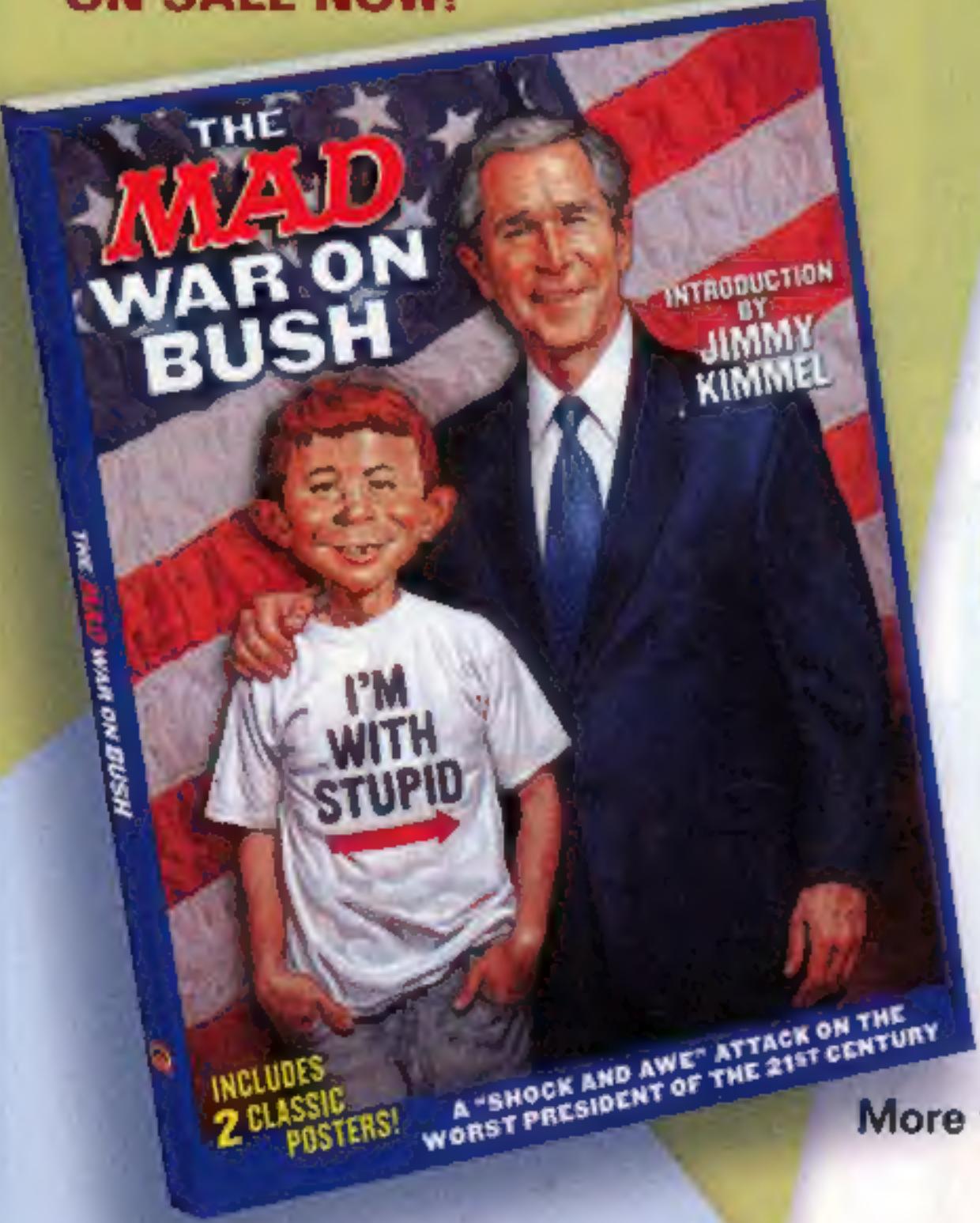
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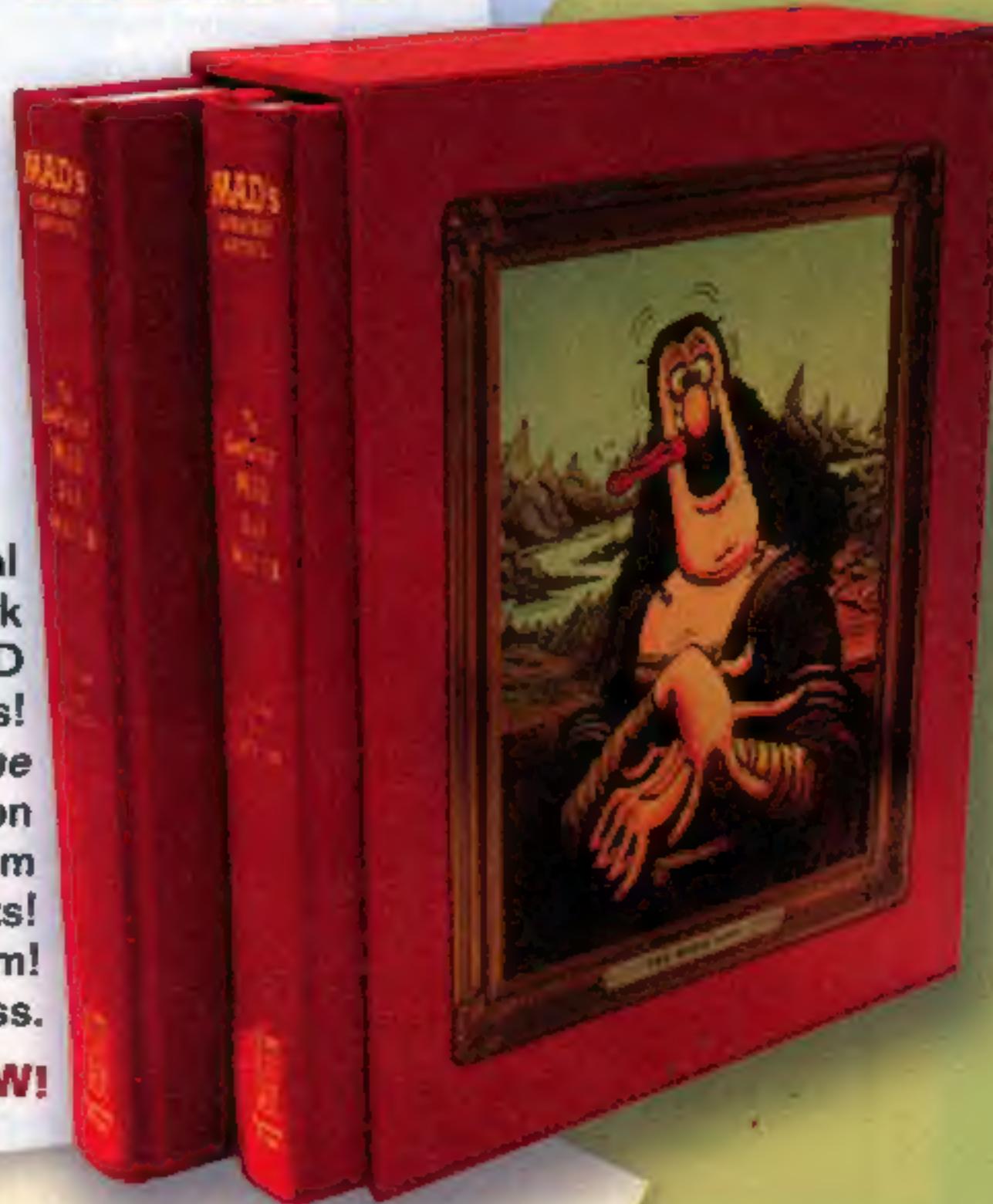
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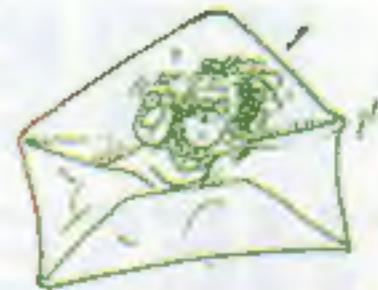
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THE BIG EASEL

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Acquaman — Thanks for sending us your entry for The Big Easel. We're printing it, but we're going out on a limb here and guess that you're the type of guy who plays an awful lot of solitaire — catch our drift, Maverick? —Ed.



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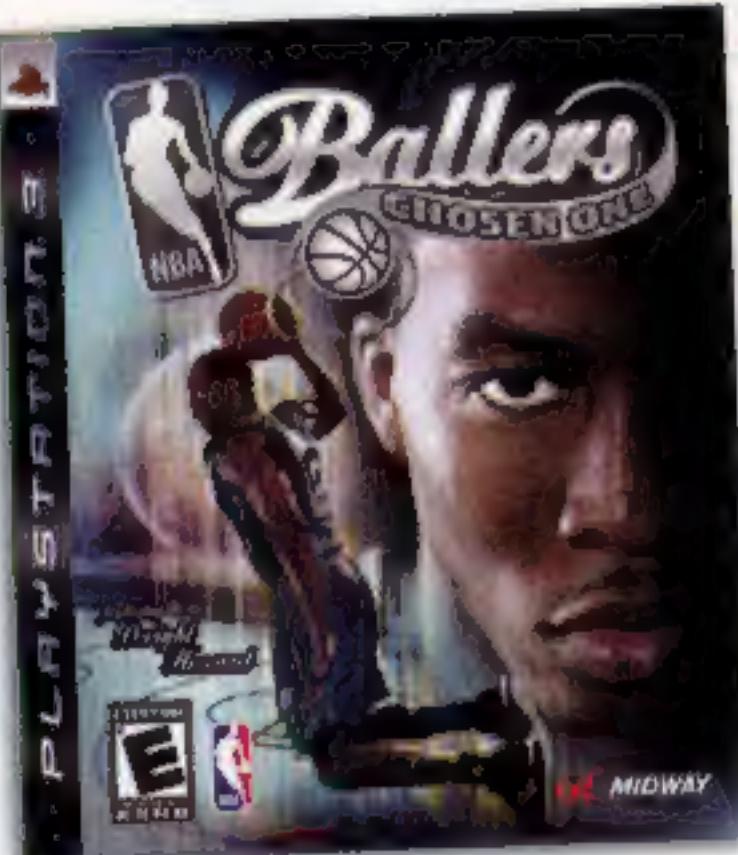
In a recent issue of *Entertainment Weekly*, director Mike Nichols revealed this little gem about MAD and his film *The Graduate*.

"My unconscious was making this movie," he says. "It took me years before I got what I had been doing all along — that I had been turning Benjamin into a Jew. I didn't get it until I saw this hilarious issue of MAD magazine after the movie came out, in which the caricature of Dustin says to the caricature of Elizabeth Wilson, 'Mom, how come I'm Jewish and you and Dad aren't?' And I asked myself the same question, and the answer was fairly embarrassing and fairly obvious."



READER ALERT II

For those of you who were lucky enough to have their letters printed in this month's Letters Page, you will receive two fantastic prizes! First up, the NBA Ballers: Chosen One videogame for your PS3s courtesy of our friends at Midway — the game is on sale April 21. For more information go to www.nbaballers.com. Next up is the "I Hate You" Stamp Kit courtesy of our friends at Chronicle Books. For those who didn't make it in, don't worry — you can get the stuff in stores!



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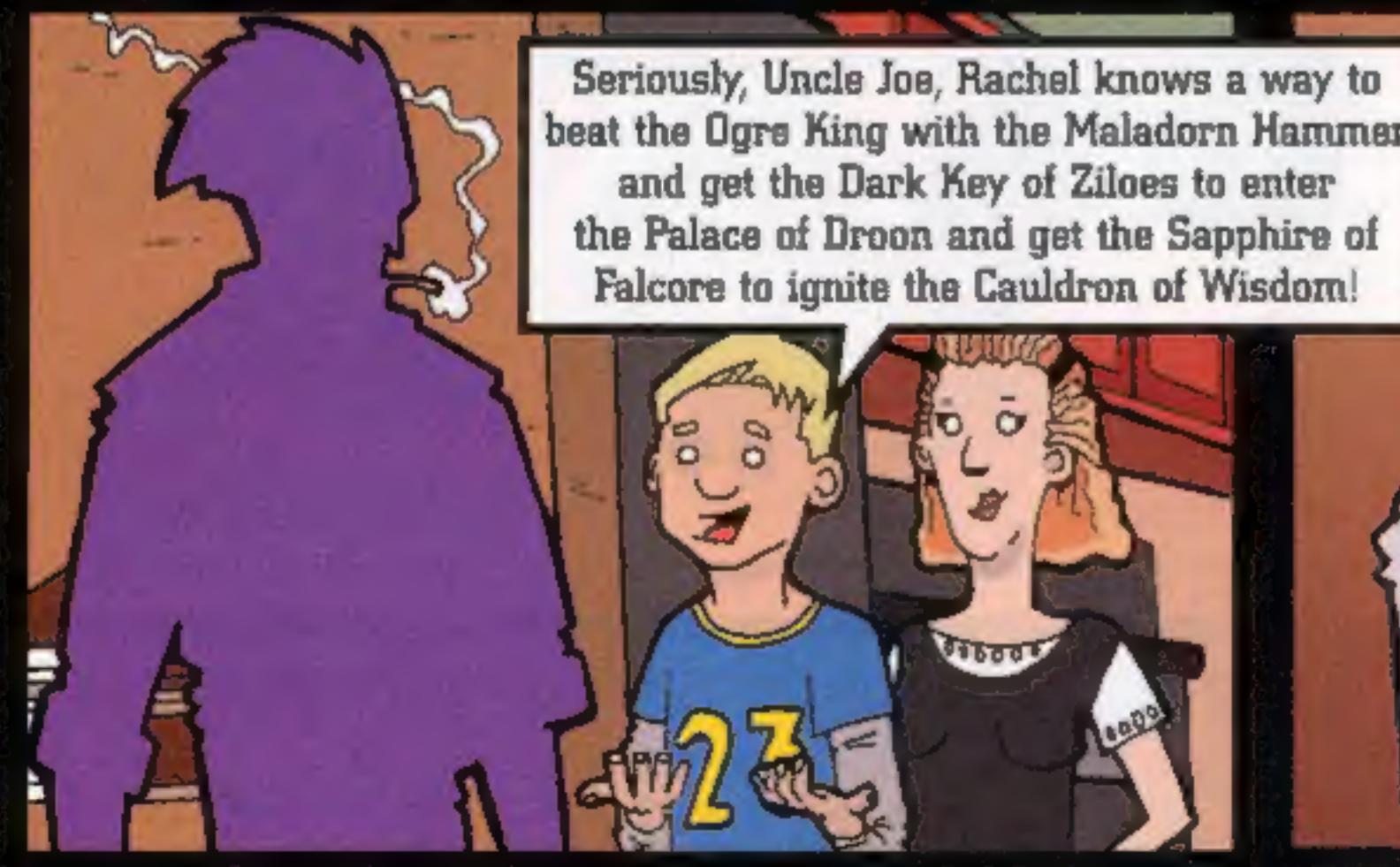
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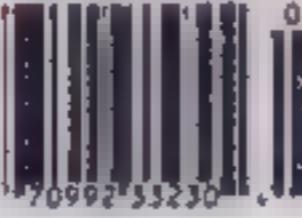
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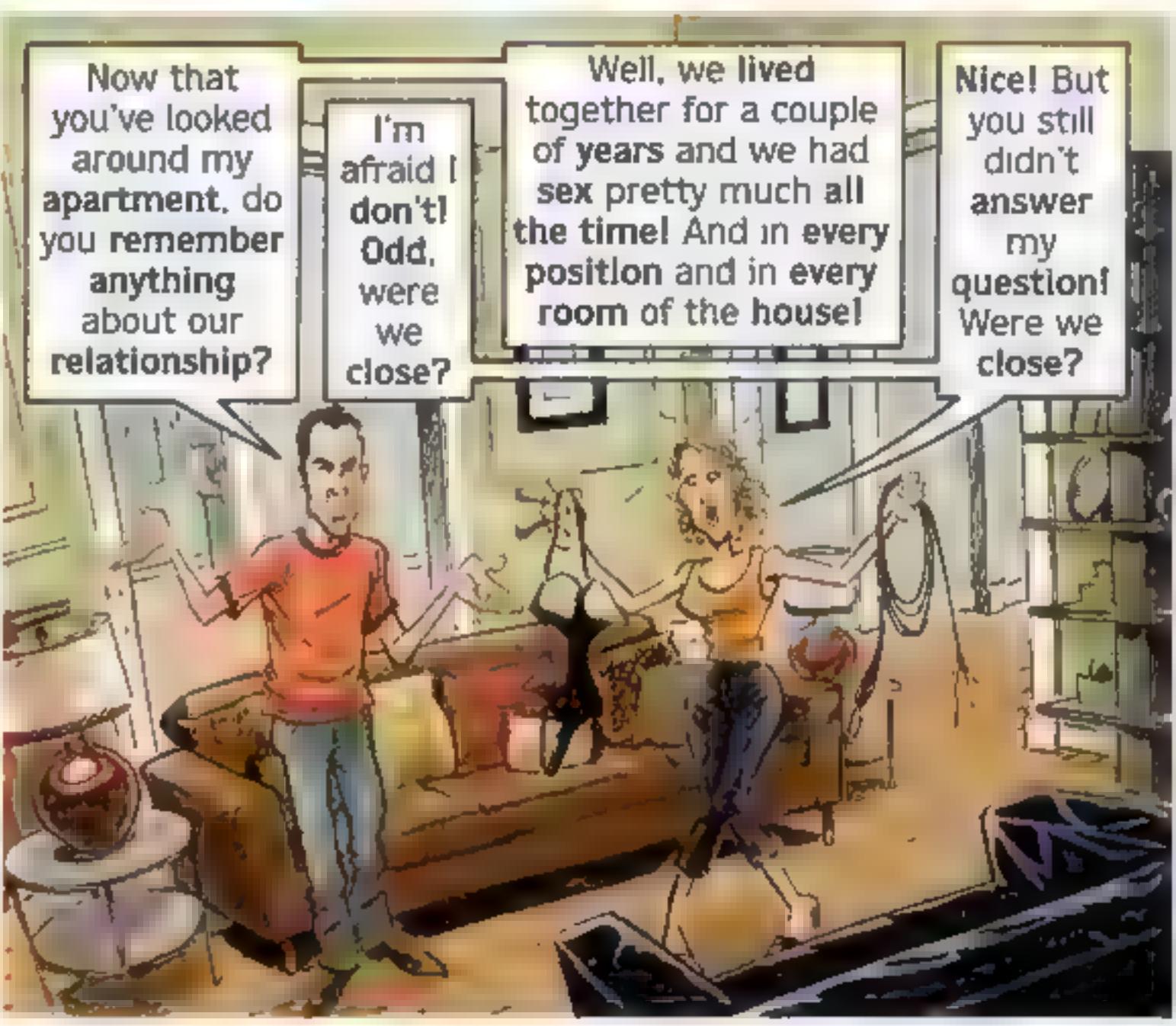
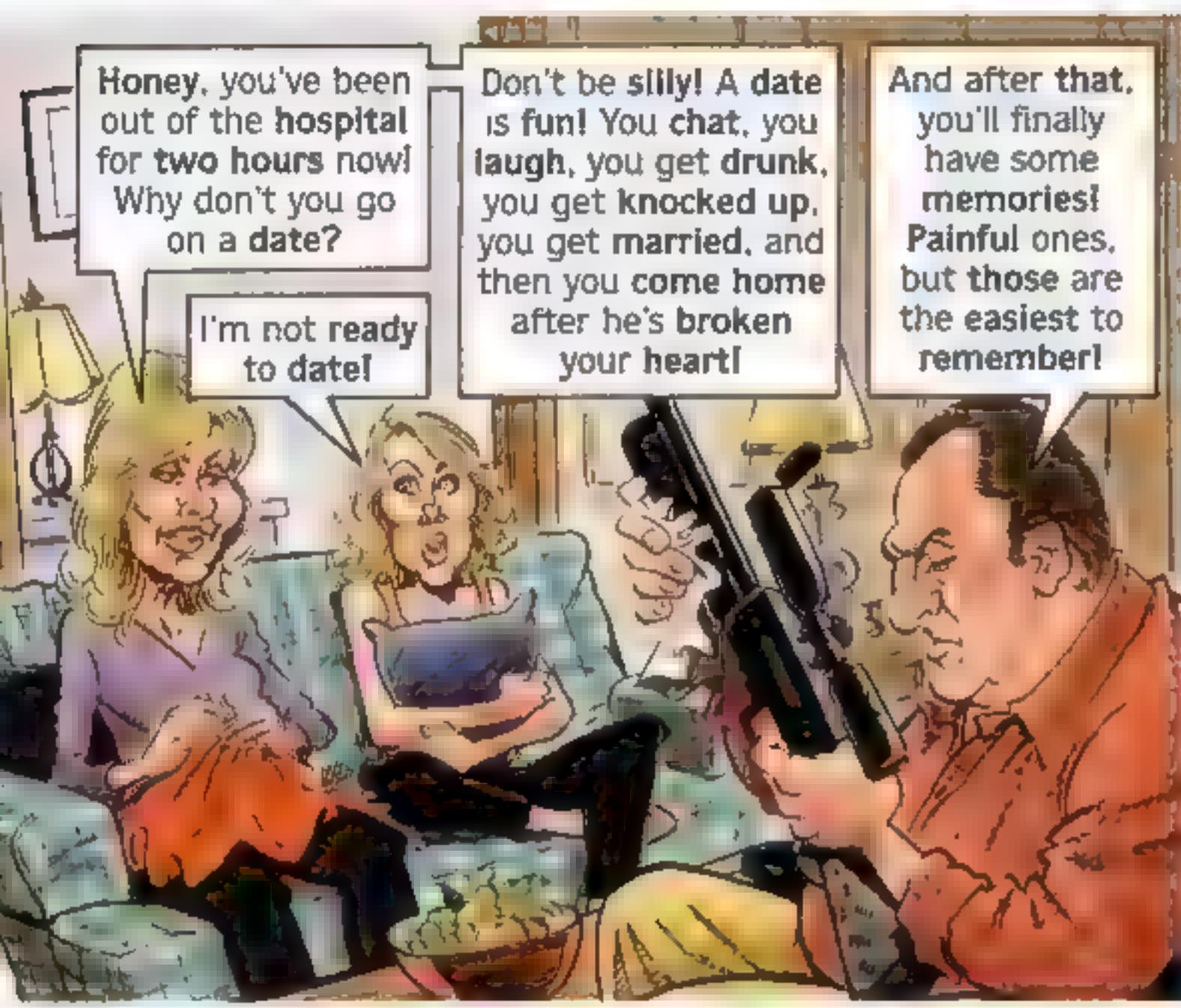
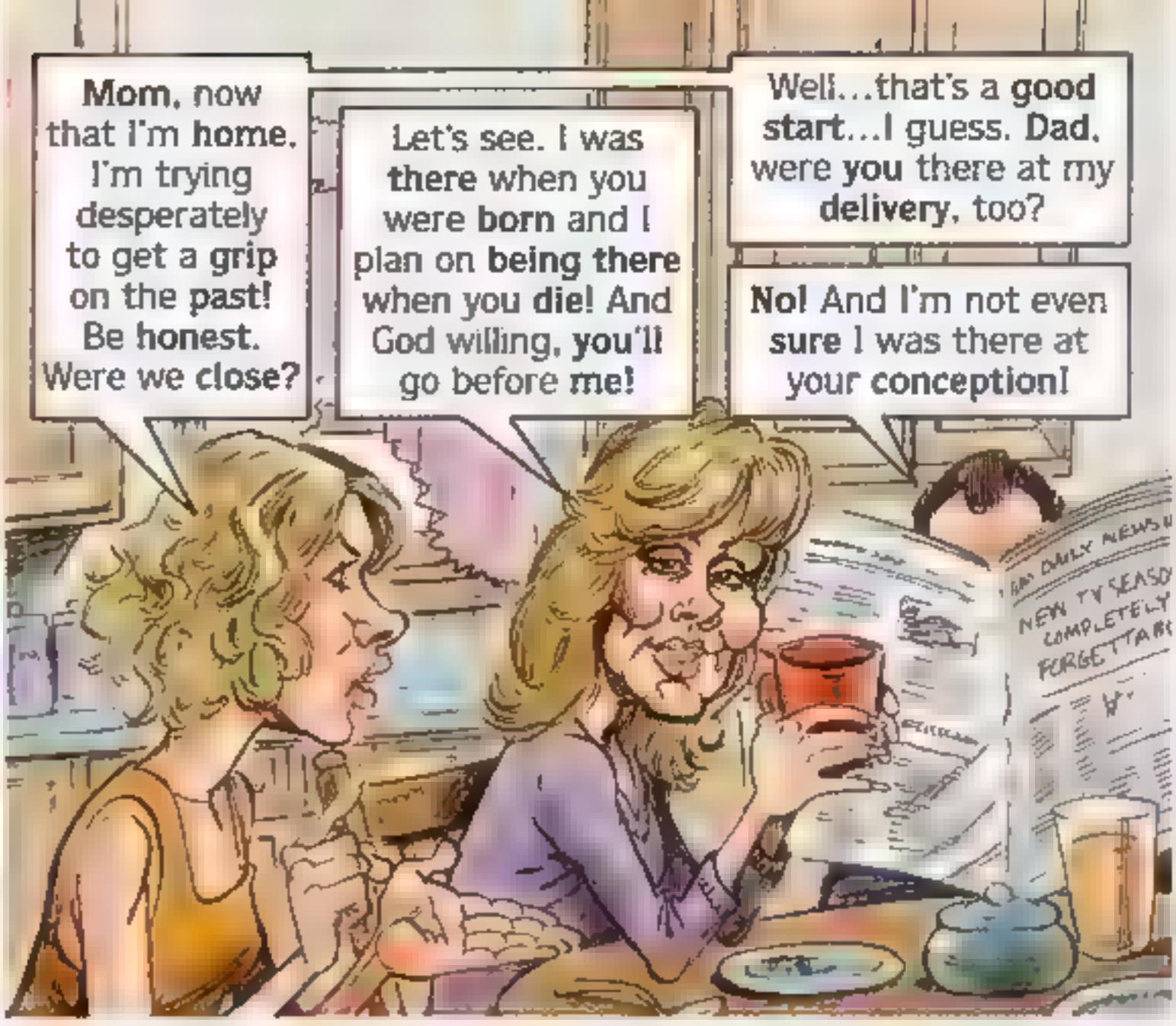
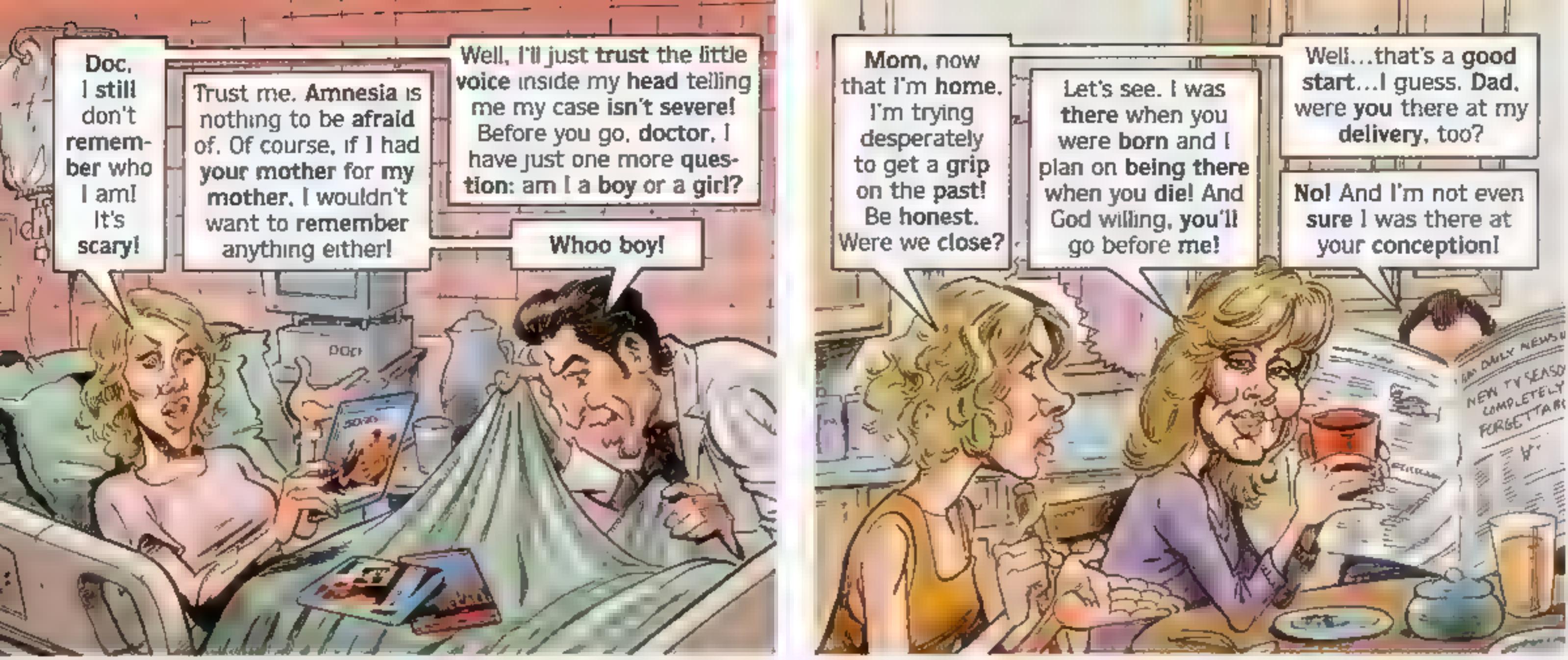


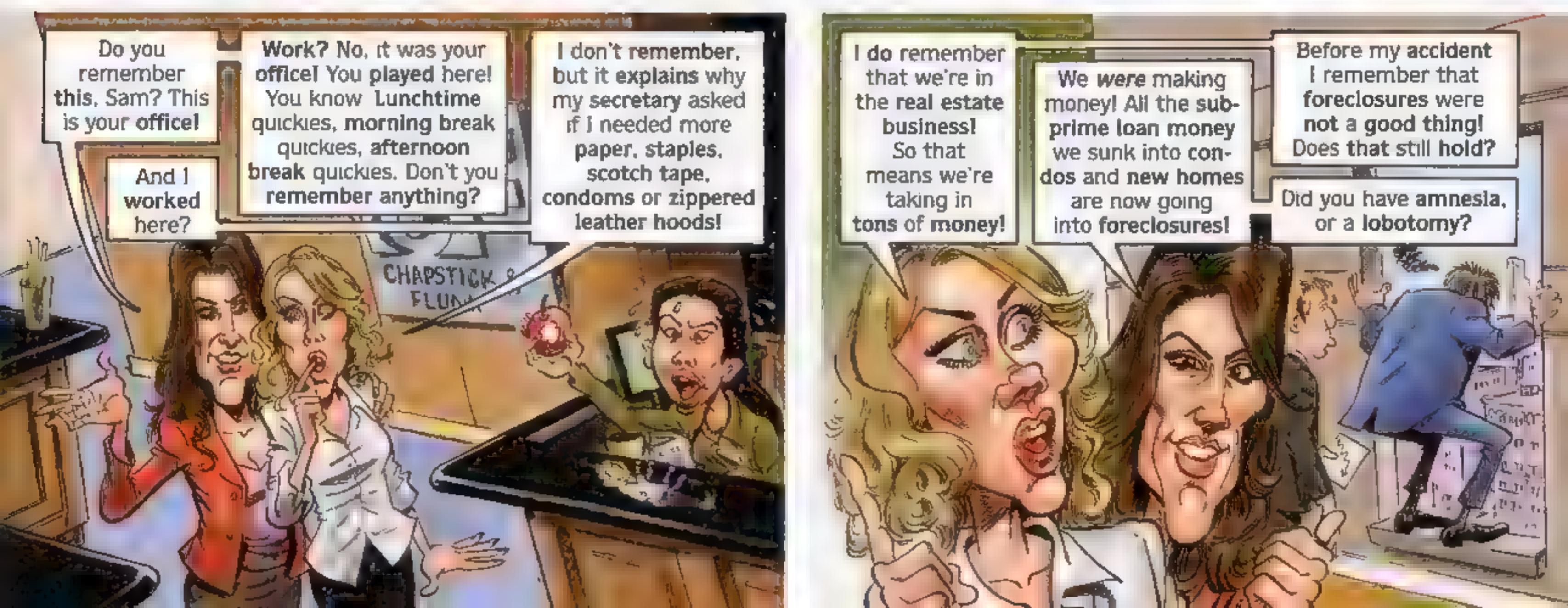
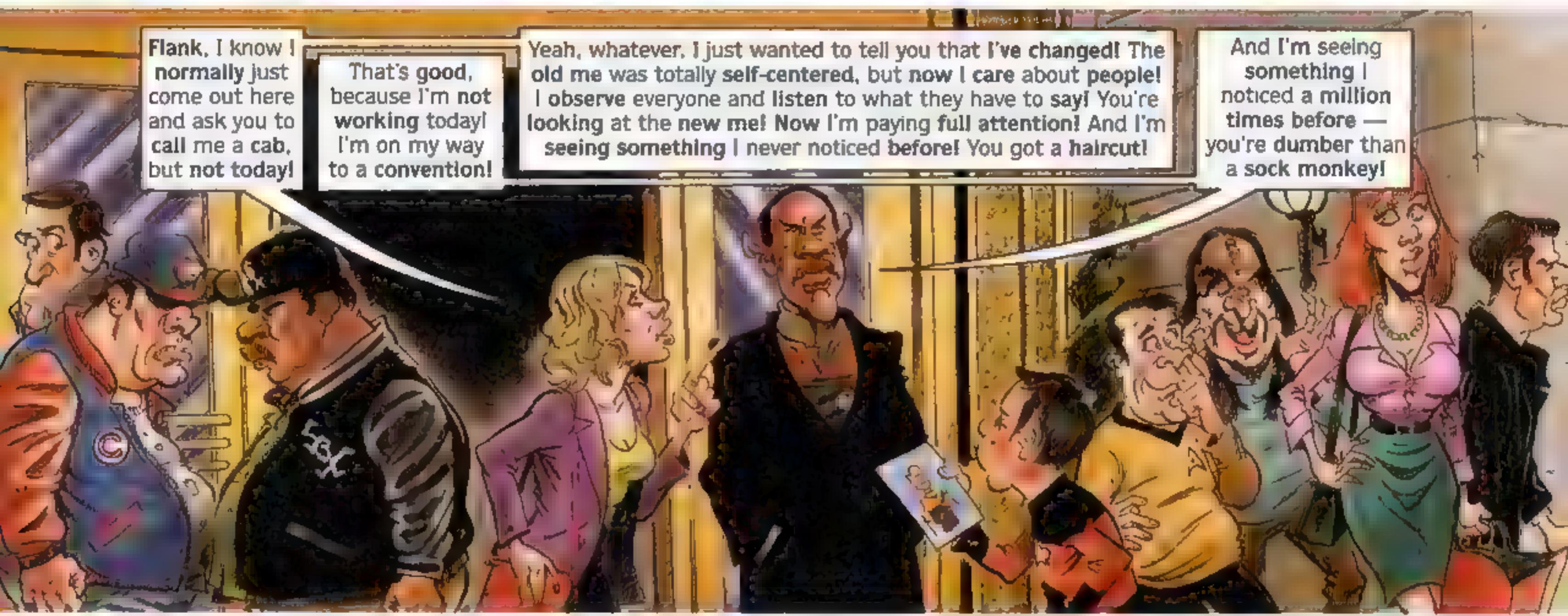
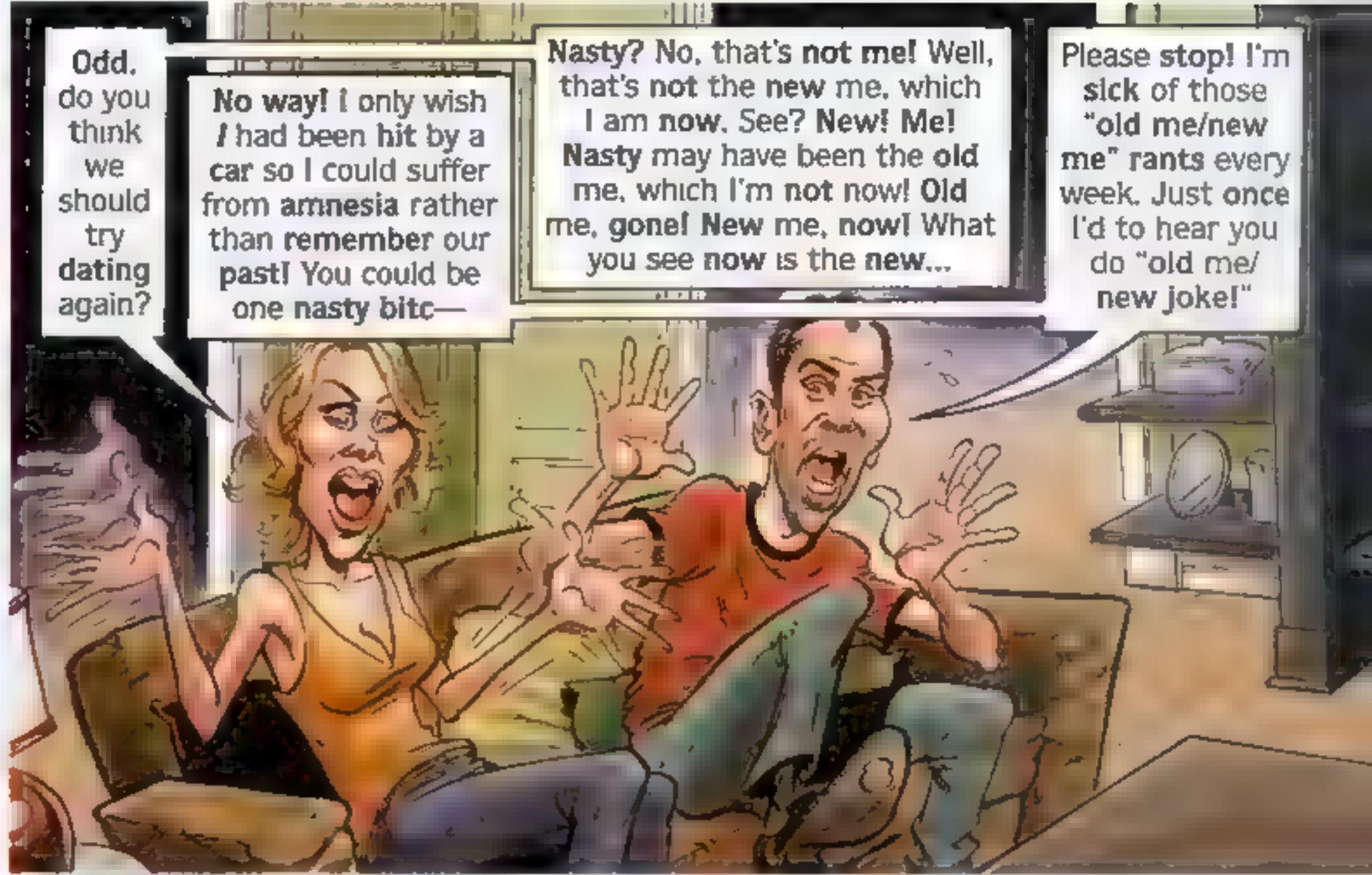
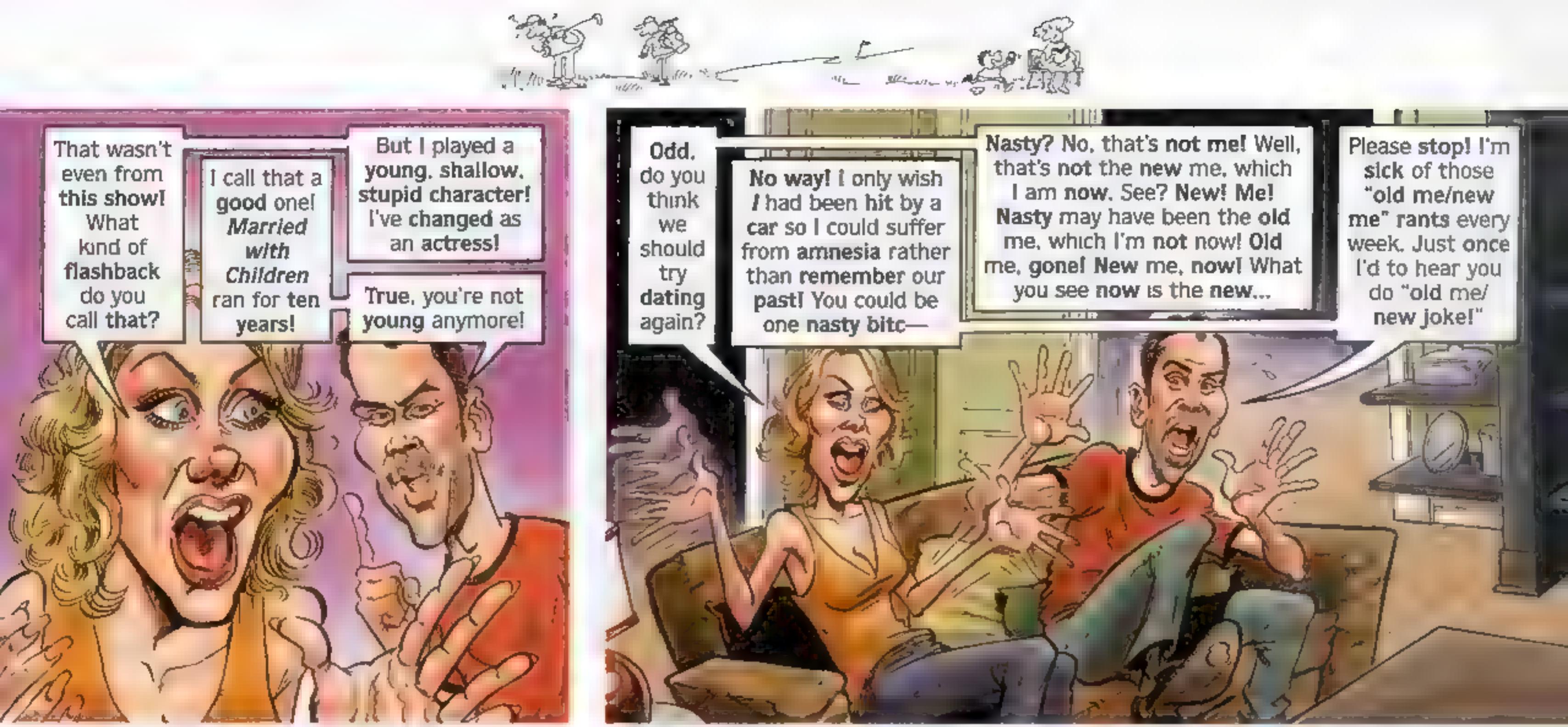
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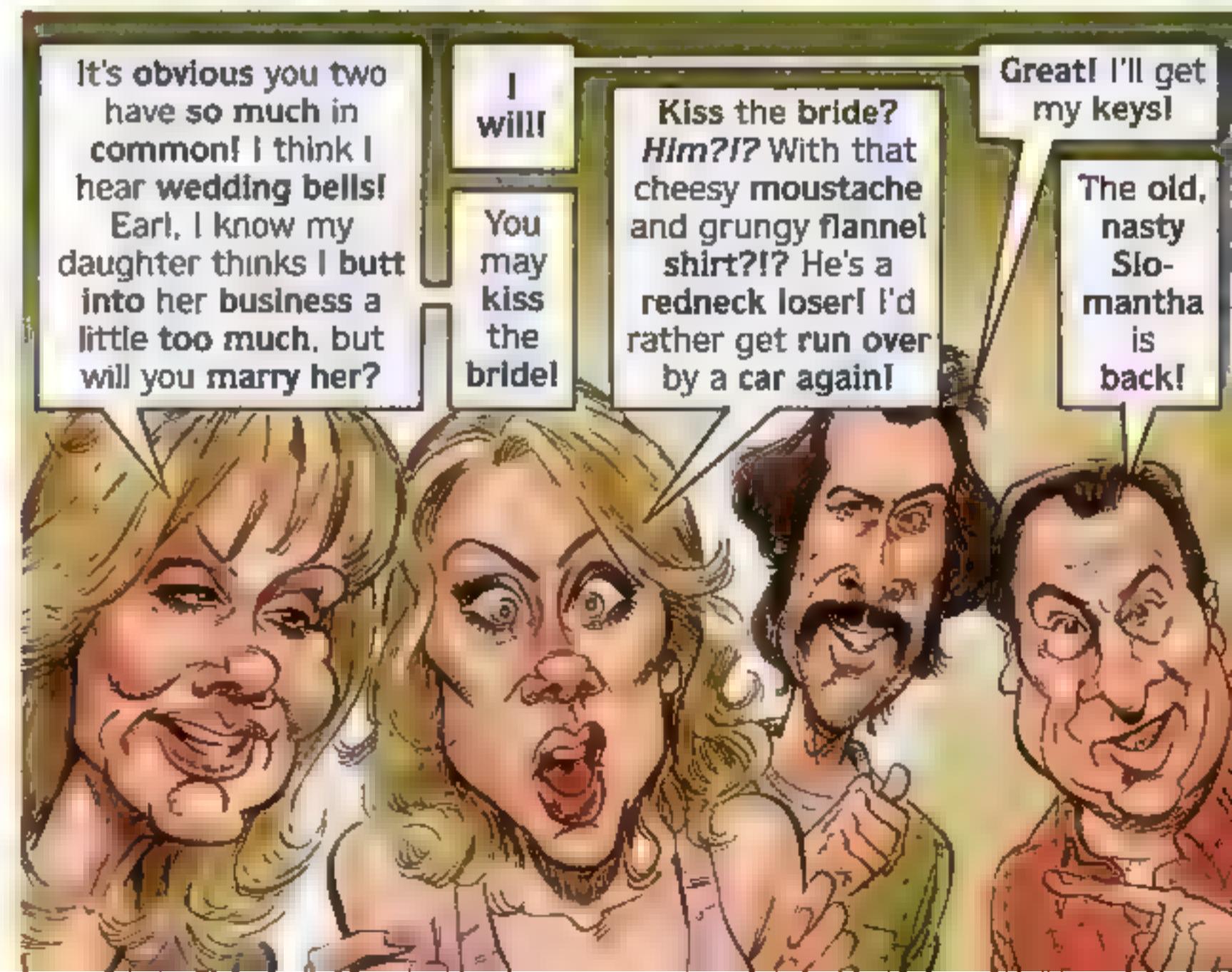
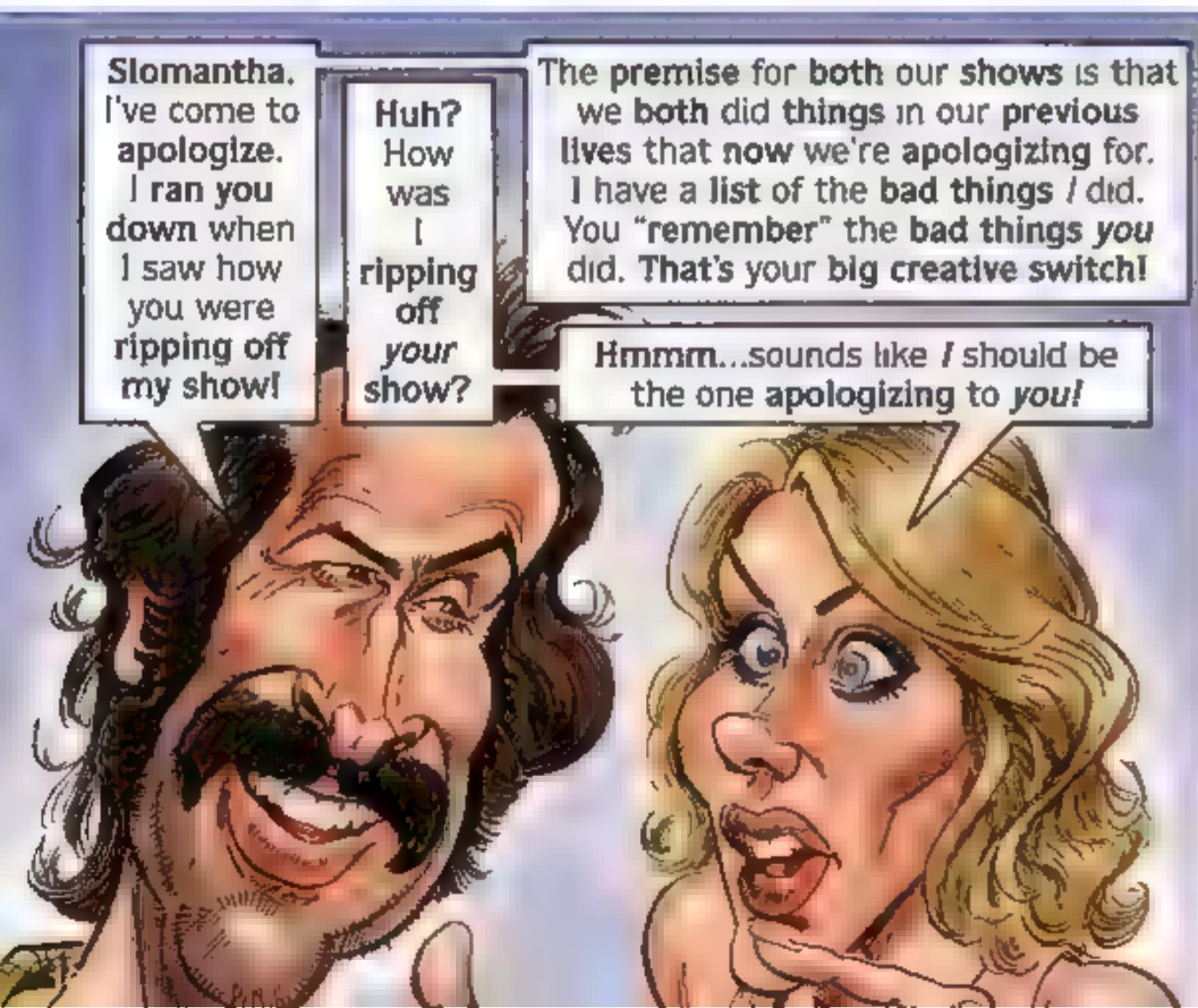
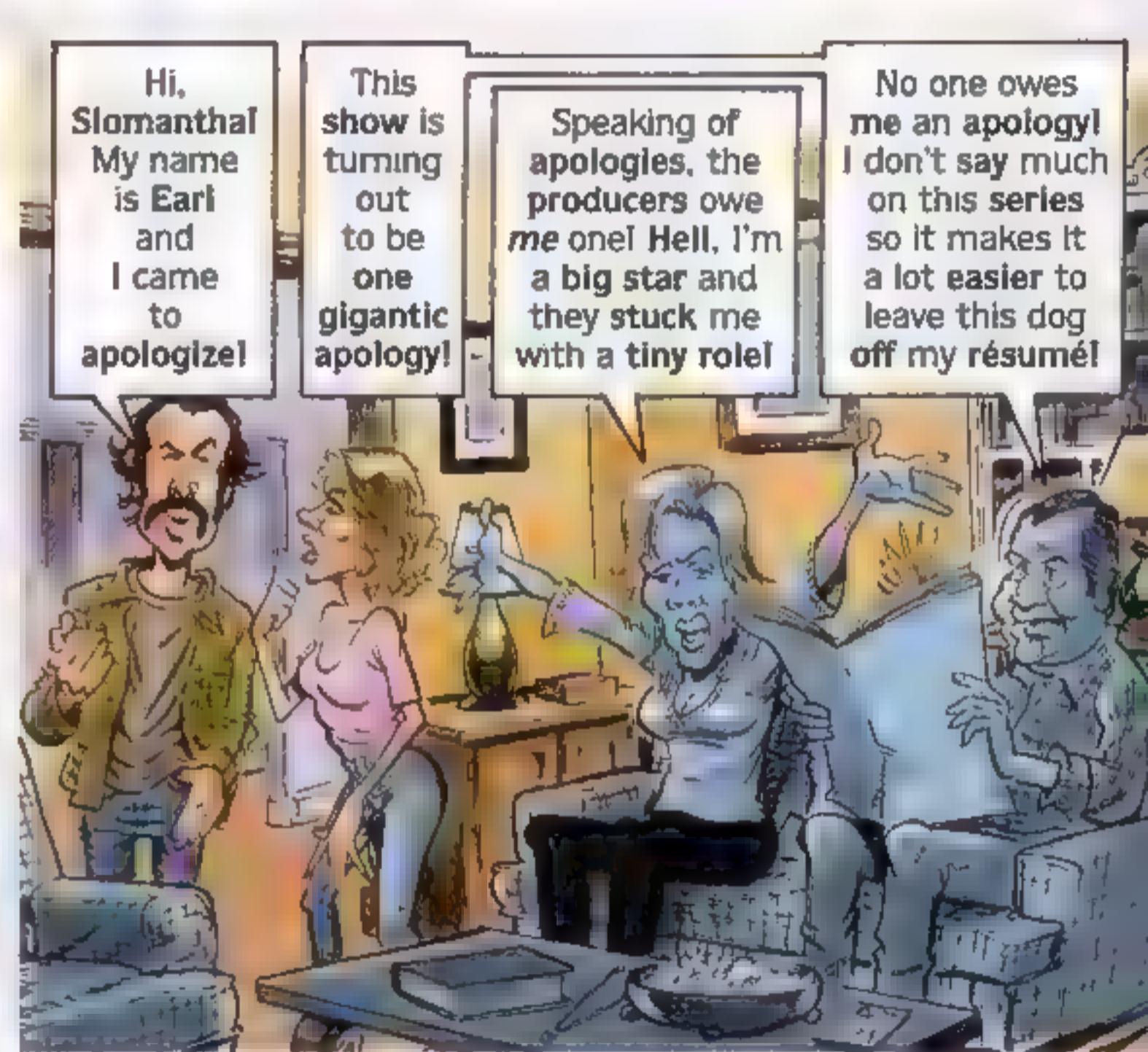


ANSWERS 1) The issue number has been changed. 2) On the letter "A" in MAD, the hole has been filled in. 3) In the upper right, blocks have been added to the wall. 4) The "Home Sweet Homeless" sign has an extra flower design. 5) "amazon.com" has been added to the box. 6) Alfred's pants have a changed color. 7) On the left side of the sidewalk, a crack has been removed. 8) On the right side of the sidewalk, a crack has been added. 9) The UPC symbol is missing lines.

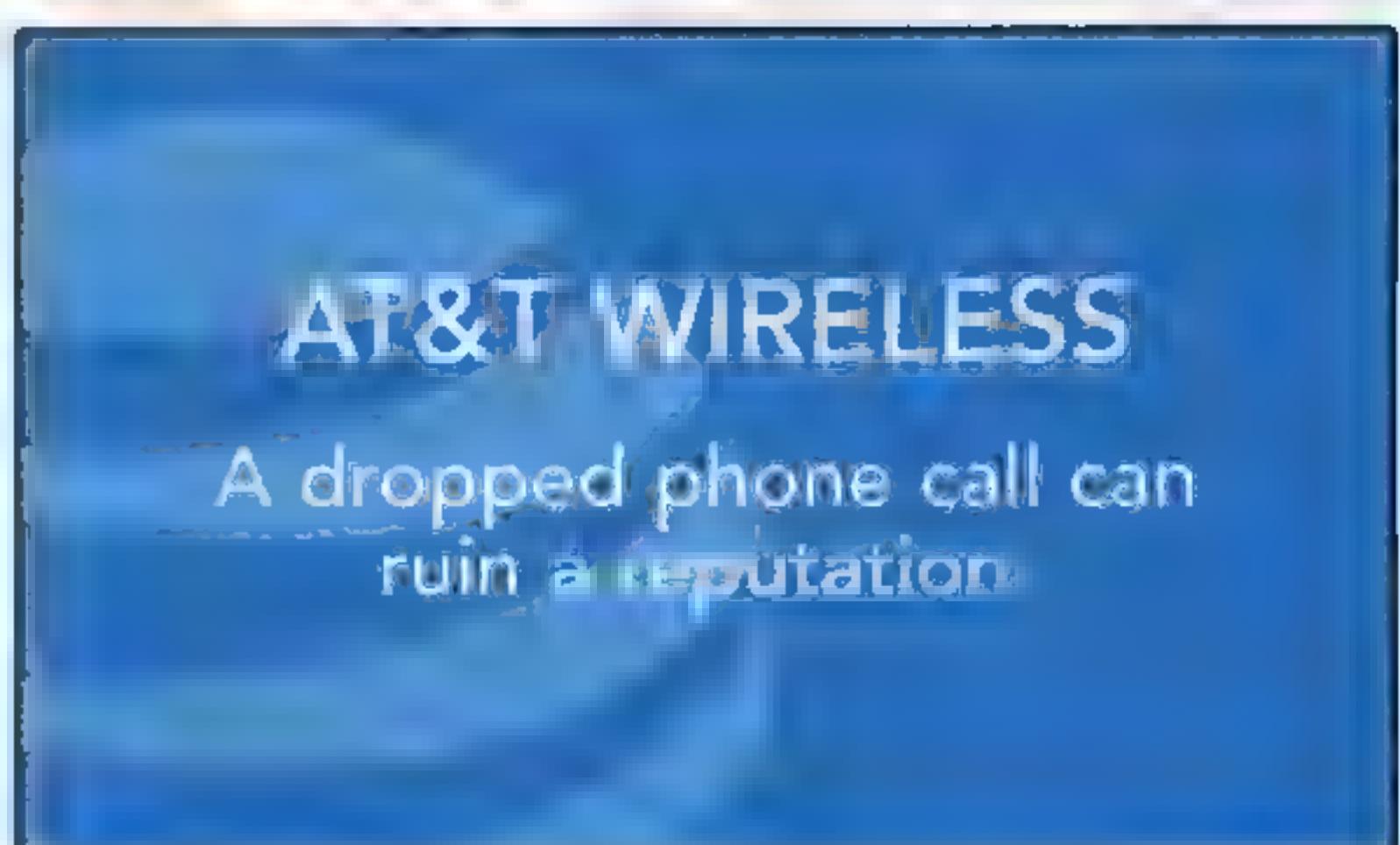
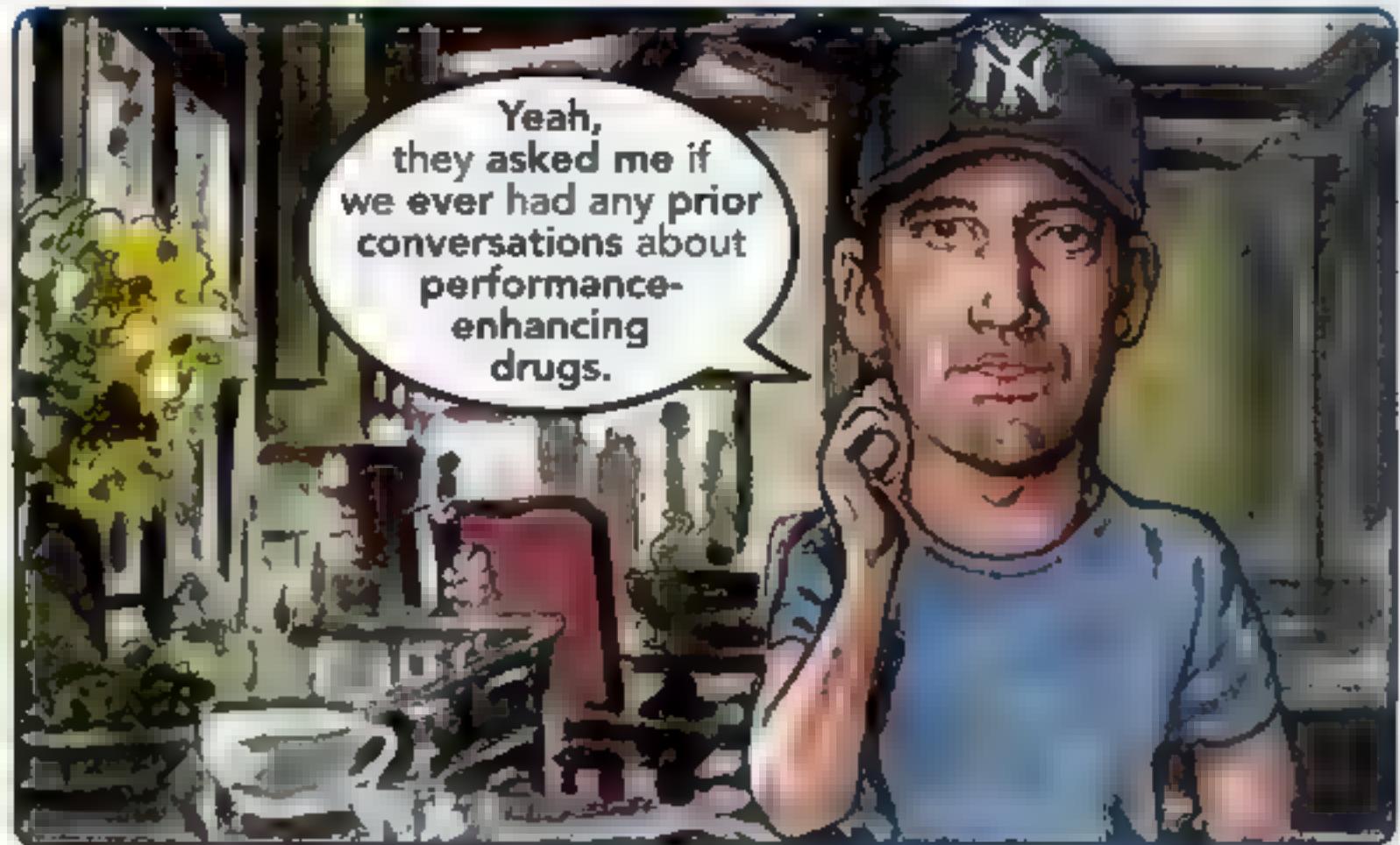








An AT&T Commercial We'd Like To See



Author J.K. Rowling has been revealed as a gay woman who has had a secret life since she was a child. She has now come out to the public, revealing her true nature. She has also admitted that she has been in a relationship with someone for many years. Prepare to be shocked!

Other Kids Book Secrets Revealed

Now that Dumbledore has Been Outed



Clifford
THE BIG RED DOG

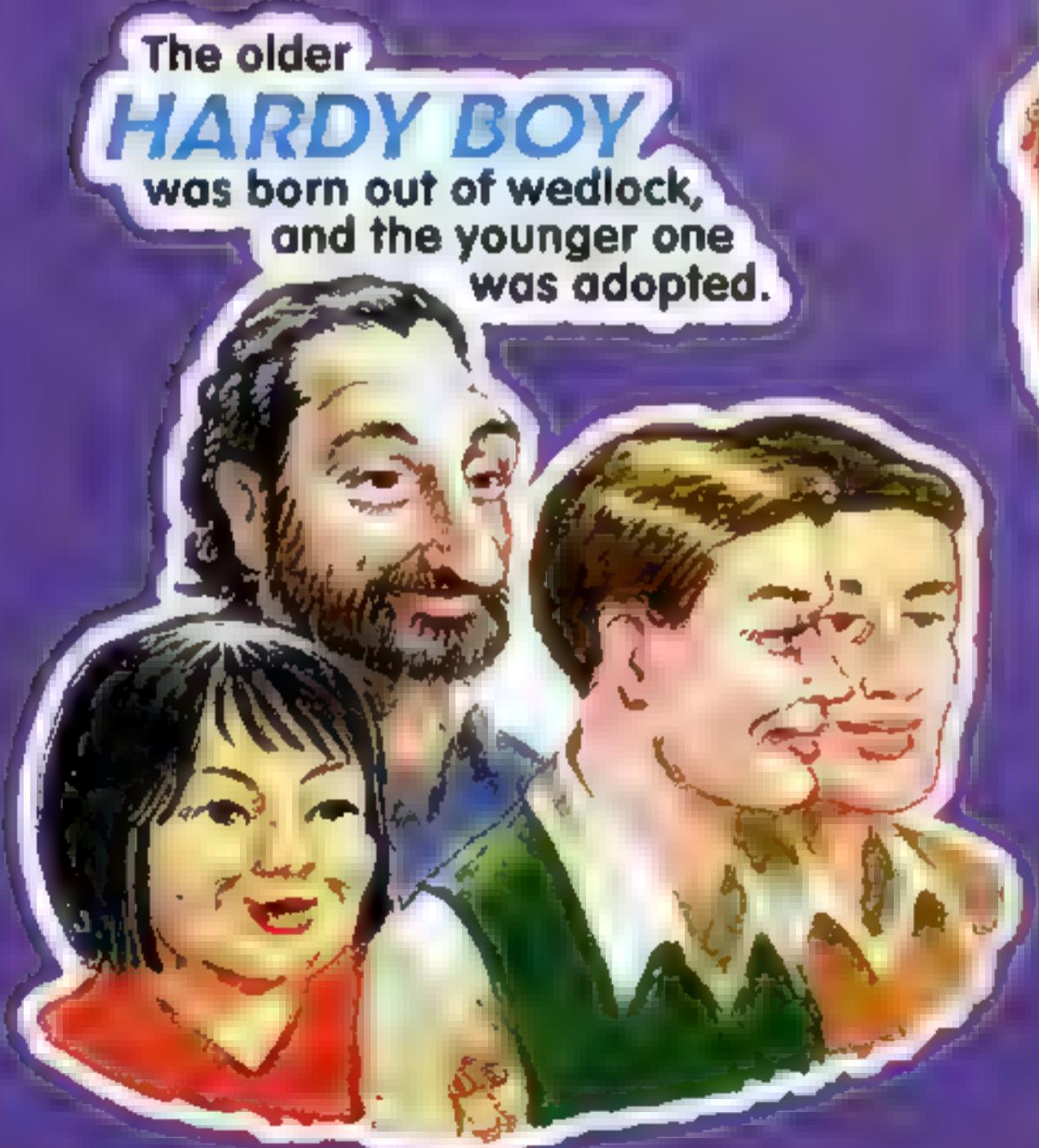
was used by the Army
to intimidate prisoners
at Abu Ghraib.

THOMAS
THE TANK ENGINE

once smuggled opium
through Afghanistan
in his coal cab.



HEATHER'S TWO MOMMIES
aren't lesbian. They live
together to share
expenses because the
cost of living is too high.



The older
HARDY BOY
was born out of wedlock,
and the younger one
was adopted.

Encyclopedia Brown planted
evidence
in many of the cases
he "solved."



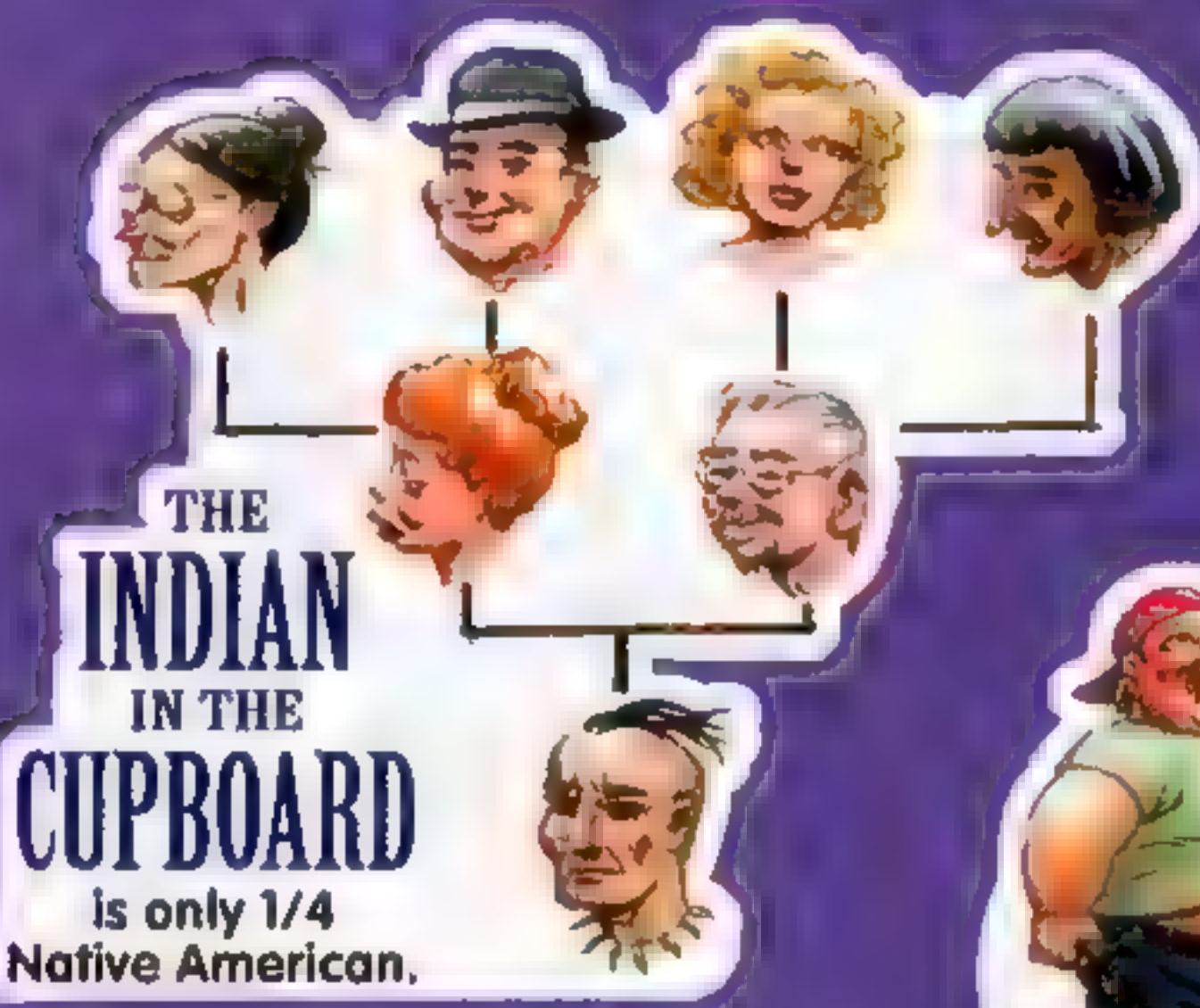
WALDO

is currently holed up in a Montana militia compound.



CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS

lied on his résumé, and never passed the rank of corporal.



WILLY WONKA

was sued in a class-action child obesity case.

Since space is a vacuum, there is no way the GOOD GUY can hear a child say GOODBYE.



Many of the characters in

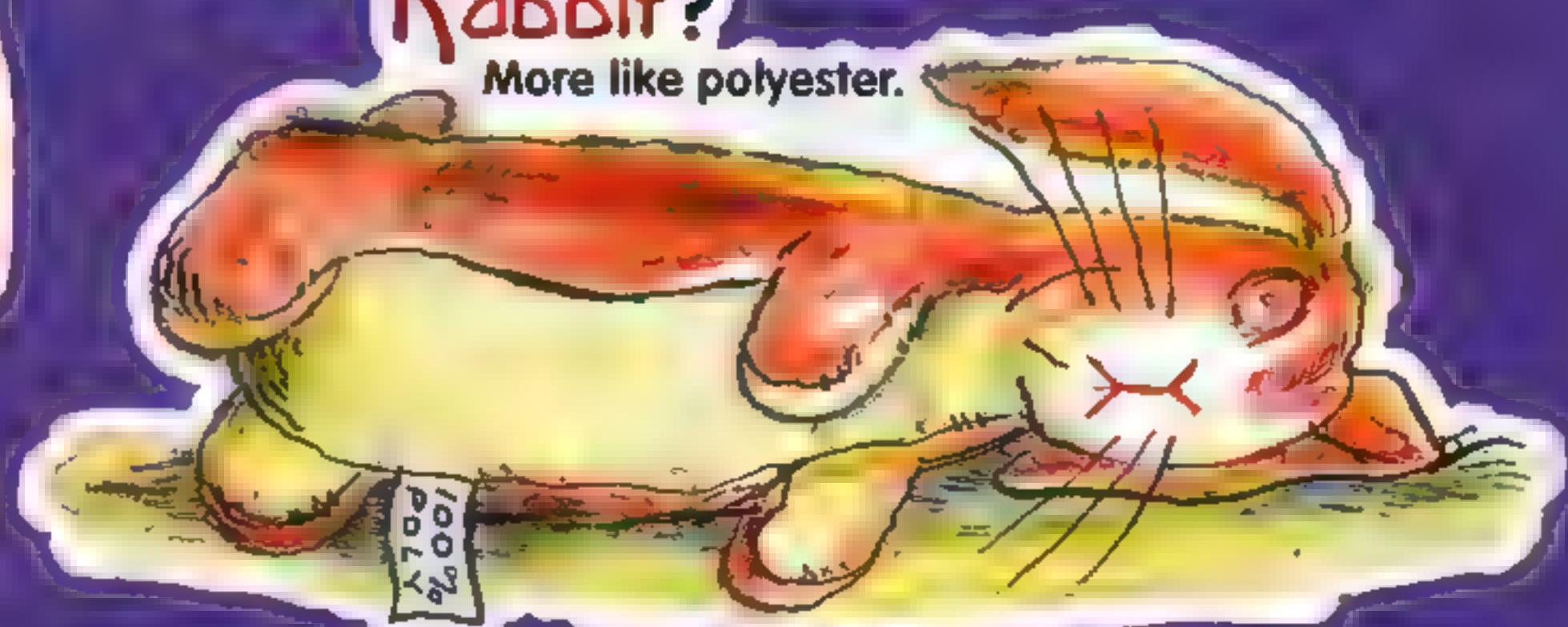
VeggieTales

are genetically modified.



The Velveteen Rabbit?

More like polyester.



The members
of the **THE
BABY-SITTERS
CLUB**
sometimes double-bill clients.

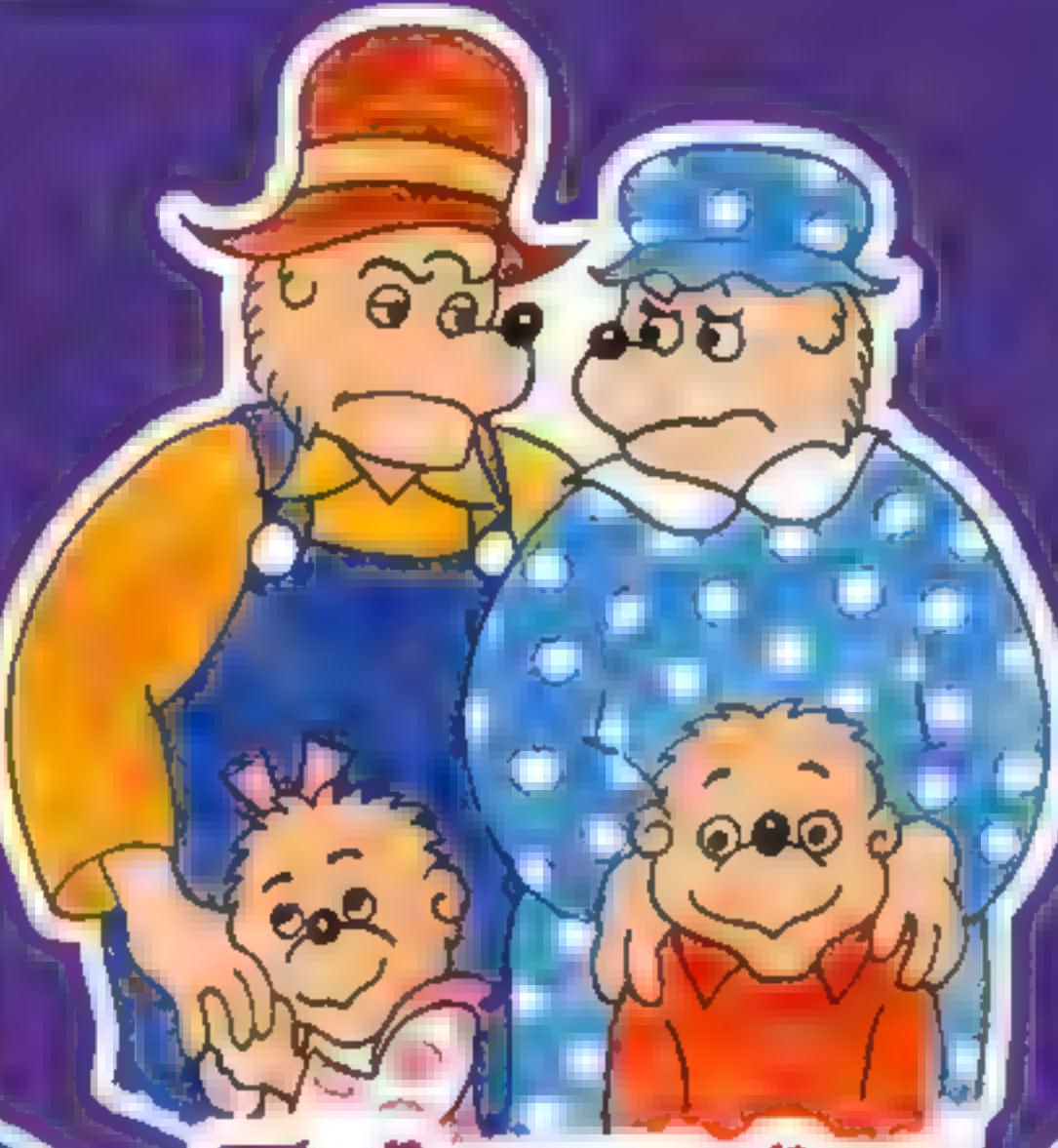


God never did get
back to Margaret
because He was
engrossed in
a football game.



The Little Prince

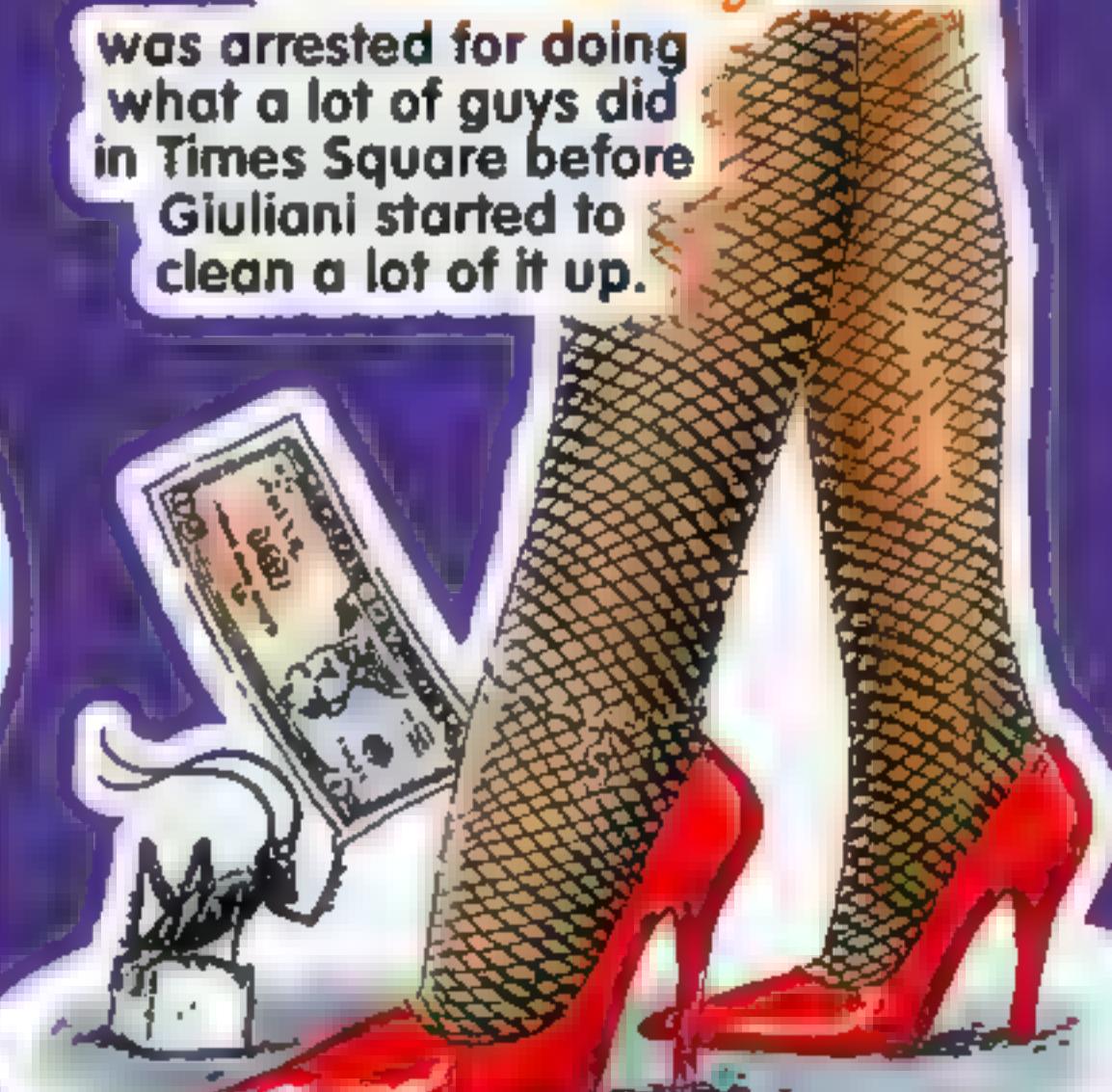
originally
took power
in a bloody
palace coup.



The Berenstain Bears
parents stopped loving
each other years ago,
and are only staying
together for the cubs.

The Cricket in Times Square

was arrested for doing
what a lot of guys did
in Times Square before
Giuliani started to
clean a lot of it up.



**The Very
Hungry
Caterpillar**
eventually was
cured after a
gastric bypass.



Let's just say
that, unlike
Dumbledore,
the **Lion**
isn't ready to
come out of the
Wardrobe
quite yet.

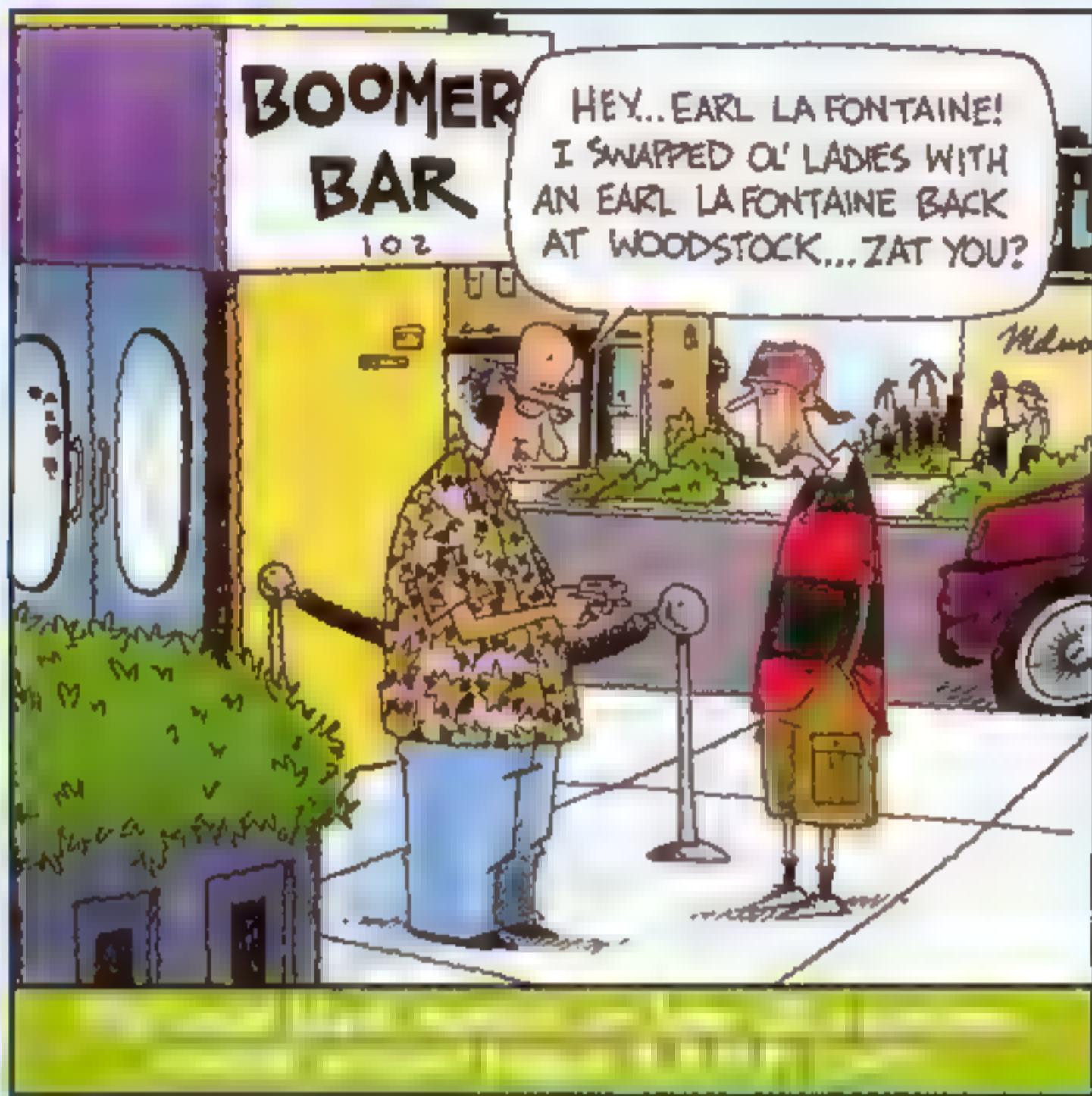






MISTAKE A VACATION DEPT.

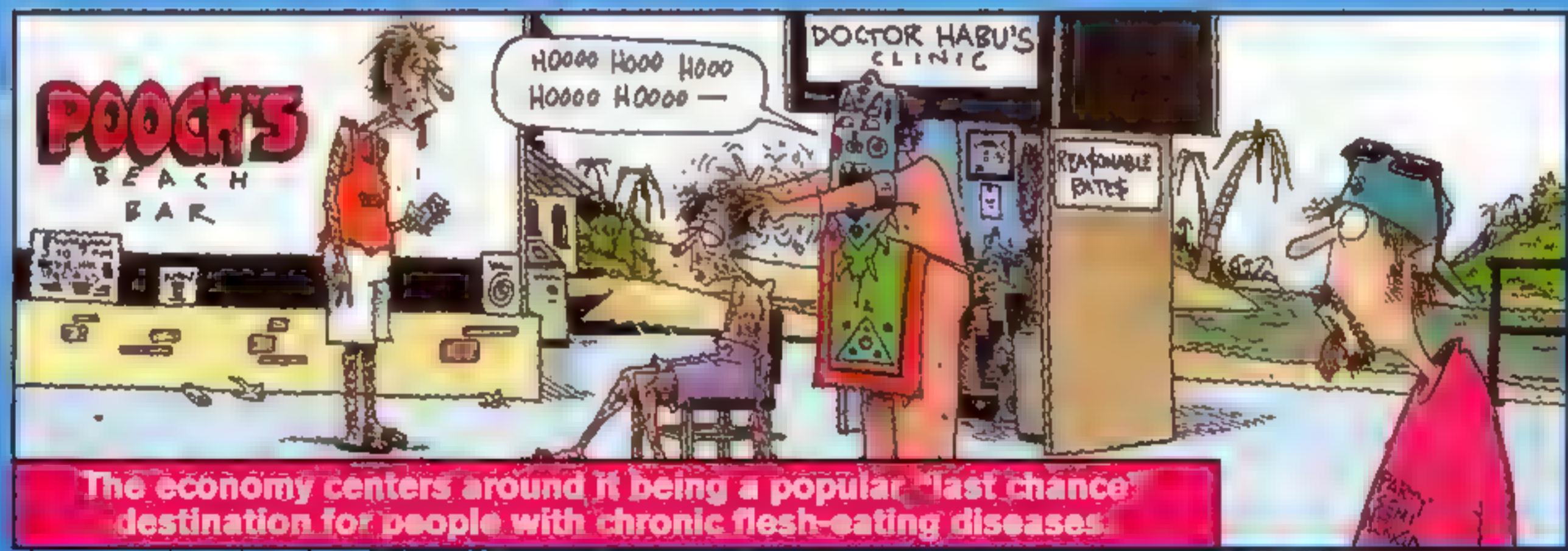
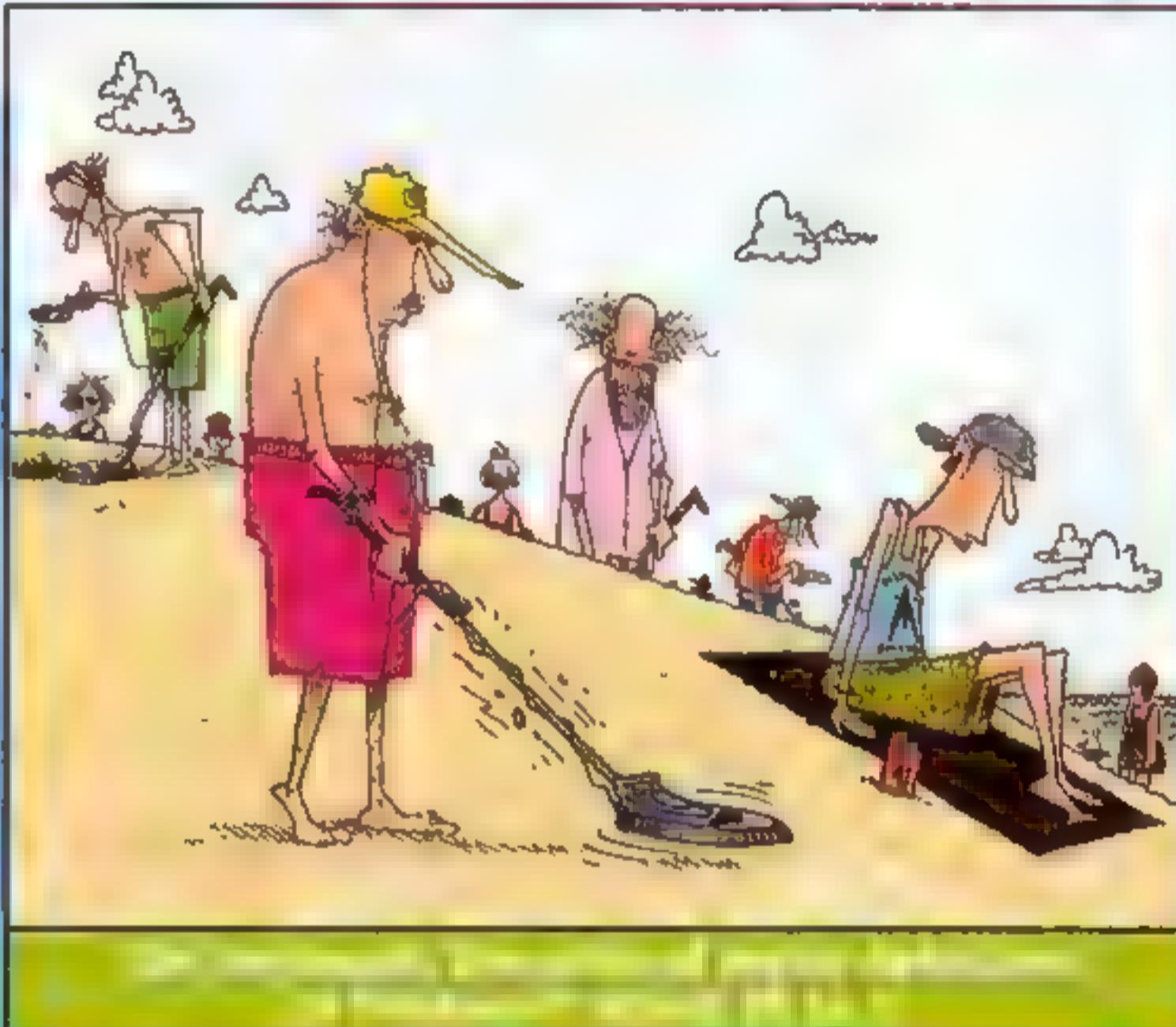
Spring Break is a time to cut loose, get wild and have the time of your life. Unfortunately, every Spring Break also includes some bad decisions. But what if the first bad decision you make is in picking your vacation spot! Oh no, Chester, you're in for worse than just a sunburn if you notice...



By a show of hands, you discover you're the only one in the bar not violating his parole!

JOHN CALDWELL'S

Signs, you've chosen the Wrong Spring Break destination



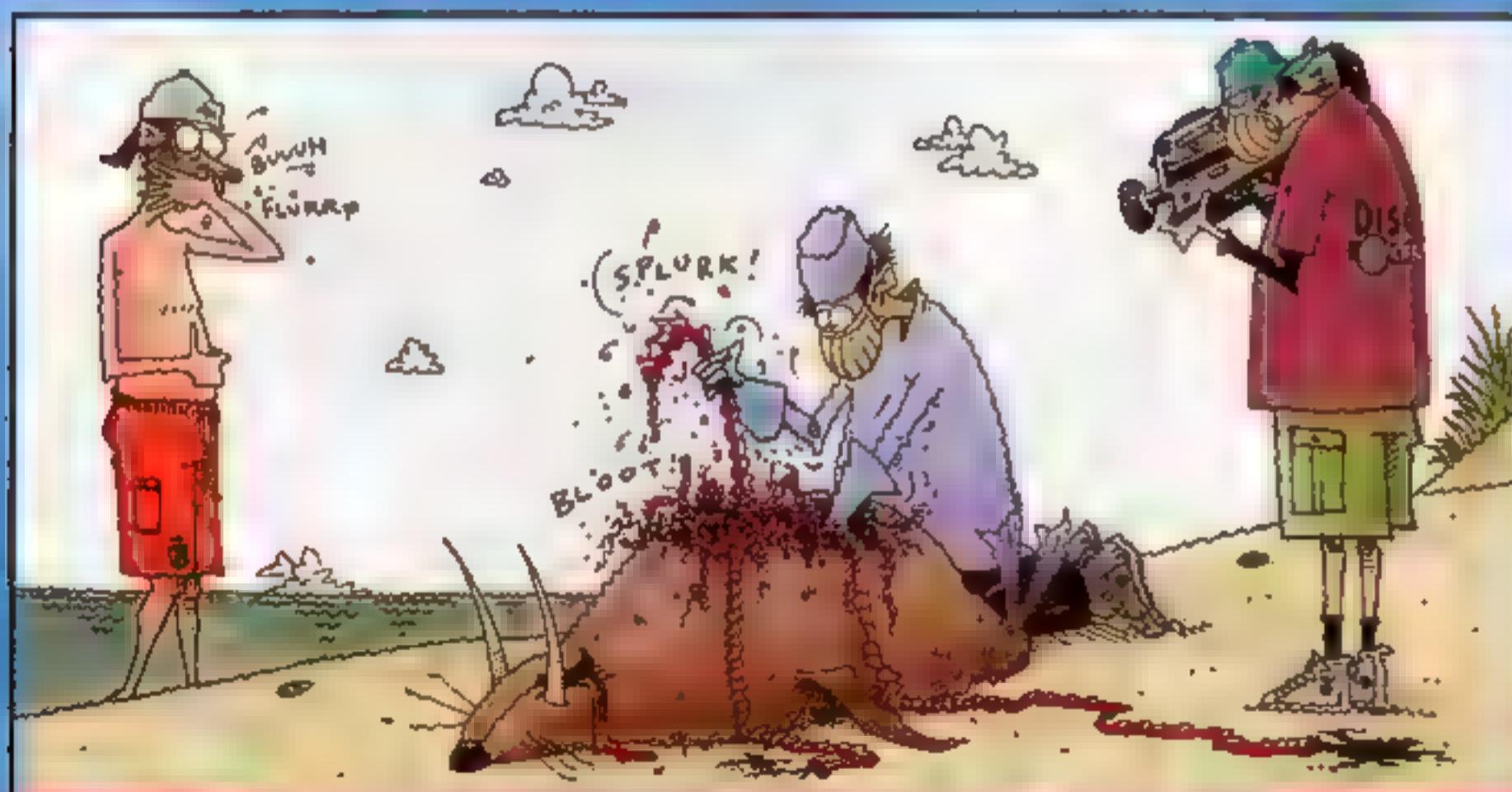
The economy centers around it being a popular 'last chance' destination for people with chronic flesh-eating diseases.



Unfortunately,
when surf's up,
so's the medical waste.



It's a beach day!



Instead of an MTV crew there to capture all
the beach action, you see the guy from the *Dirty Jobs*
TV show disemboweling a beached walrus.

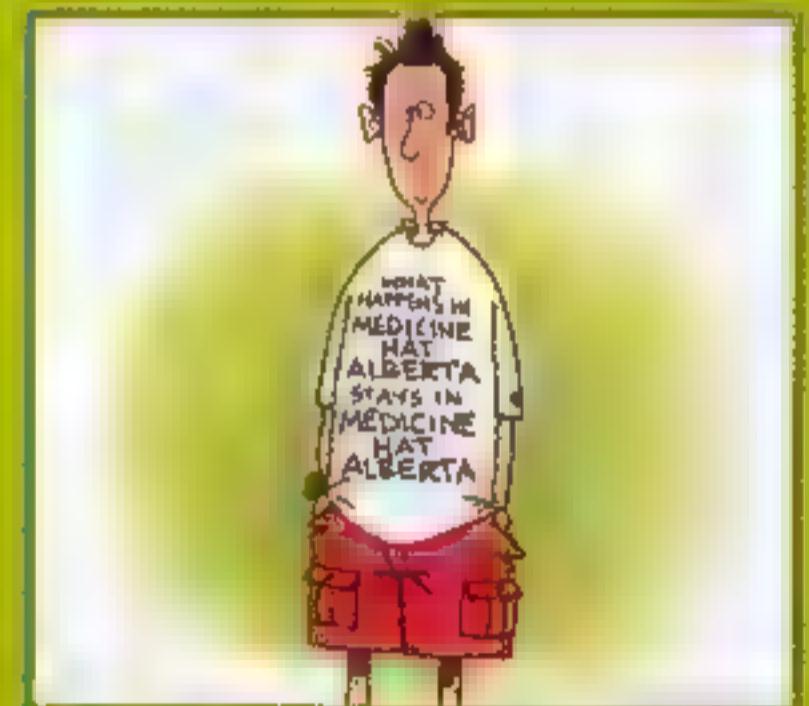
The *Drunkin' Game*
is a game
where you
try to drink
as much as
possible. It's
kind of like
binge drinking.



The beach photo keychain of you doing
muscle poses which you bought 30 of
because the girl selling them was so hot.



A scrapbook full of citations
for public urination.



A corny, unoriginal T-shirt that announces
to the whole universe that you spent
Spring Break someplace really stupid.



A poorly produced CD by some atrocious
local band that, after about four
Jägermeisters, you thought was awesome.





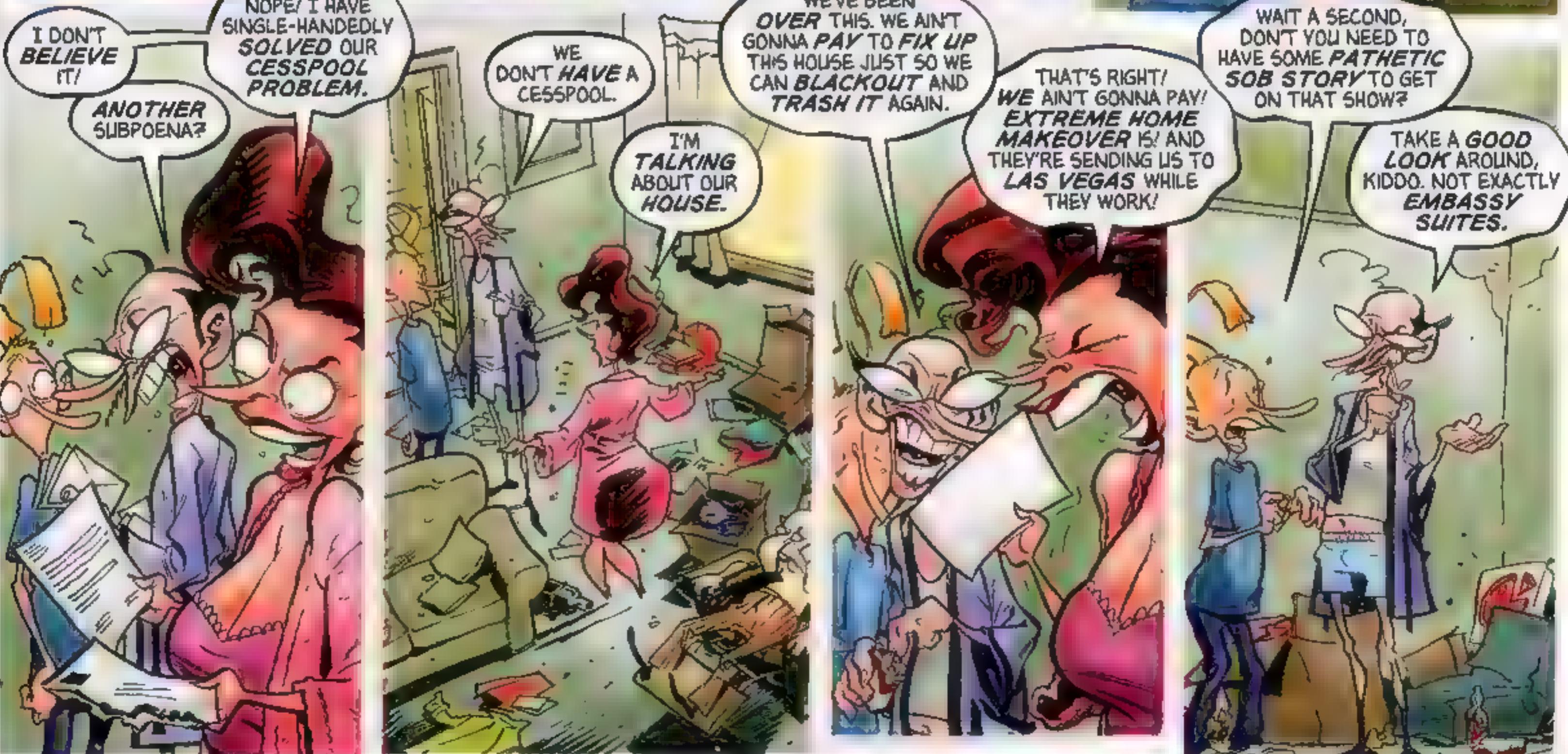
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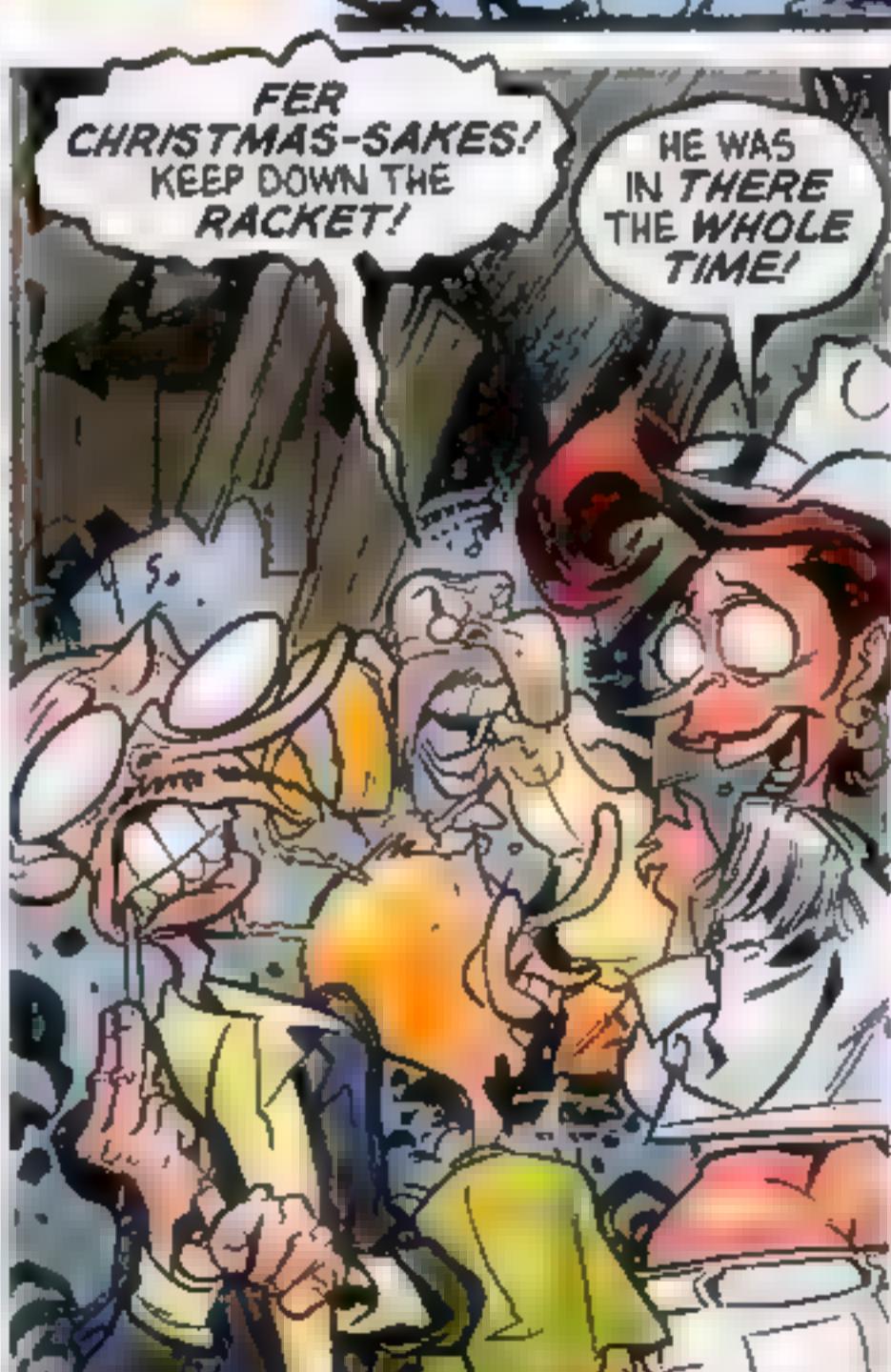
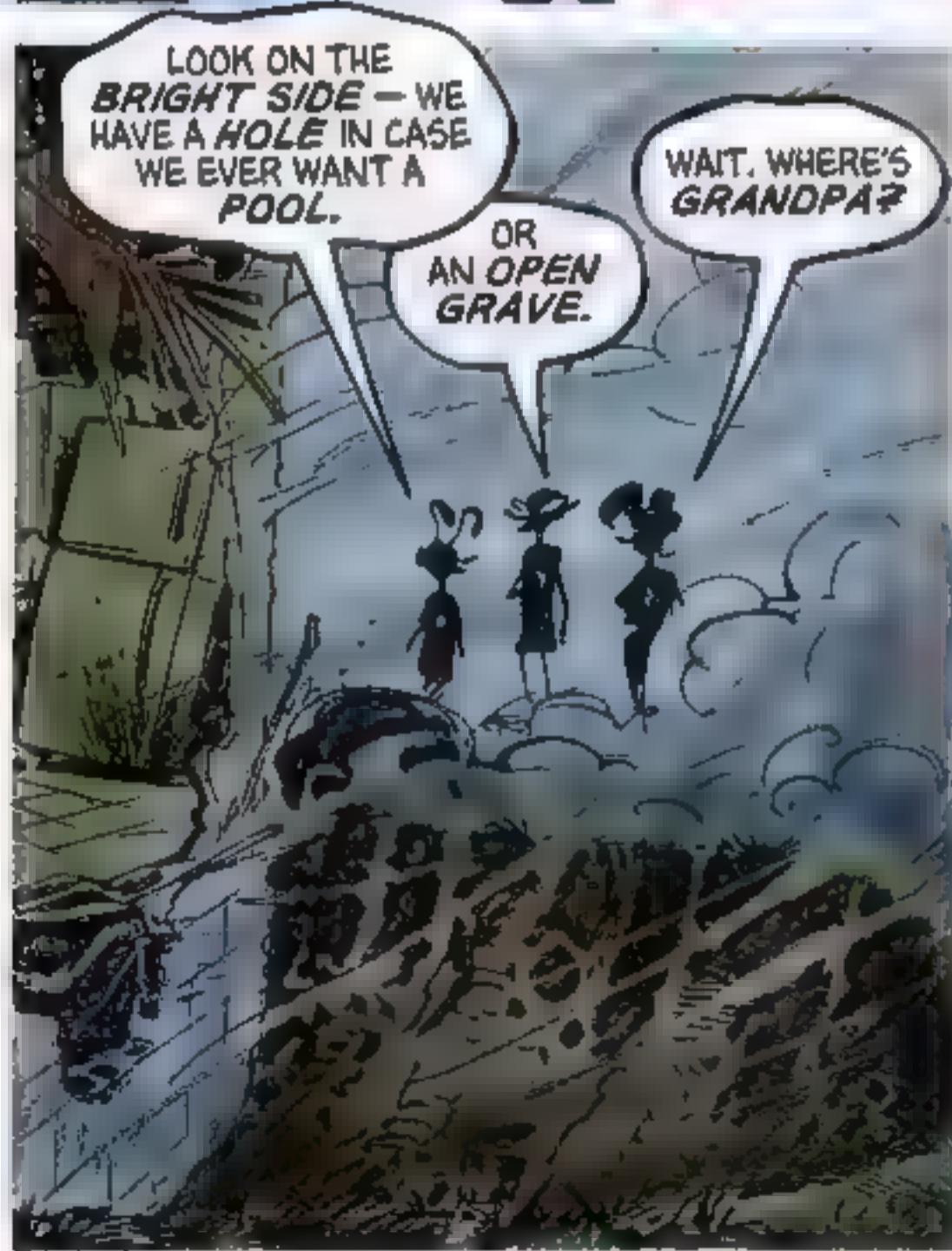
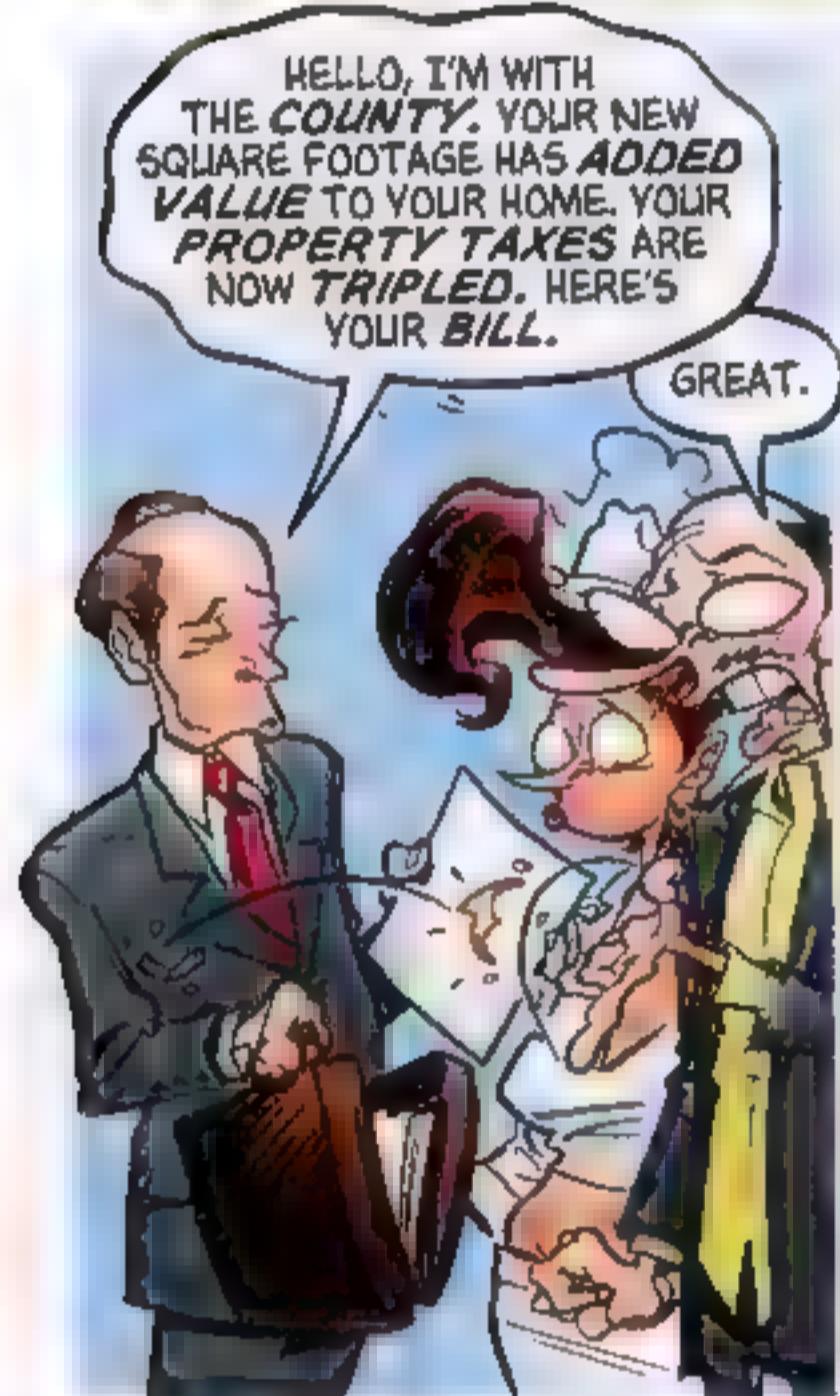
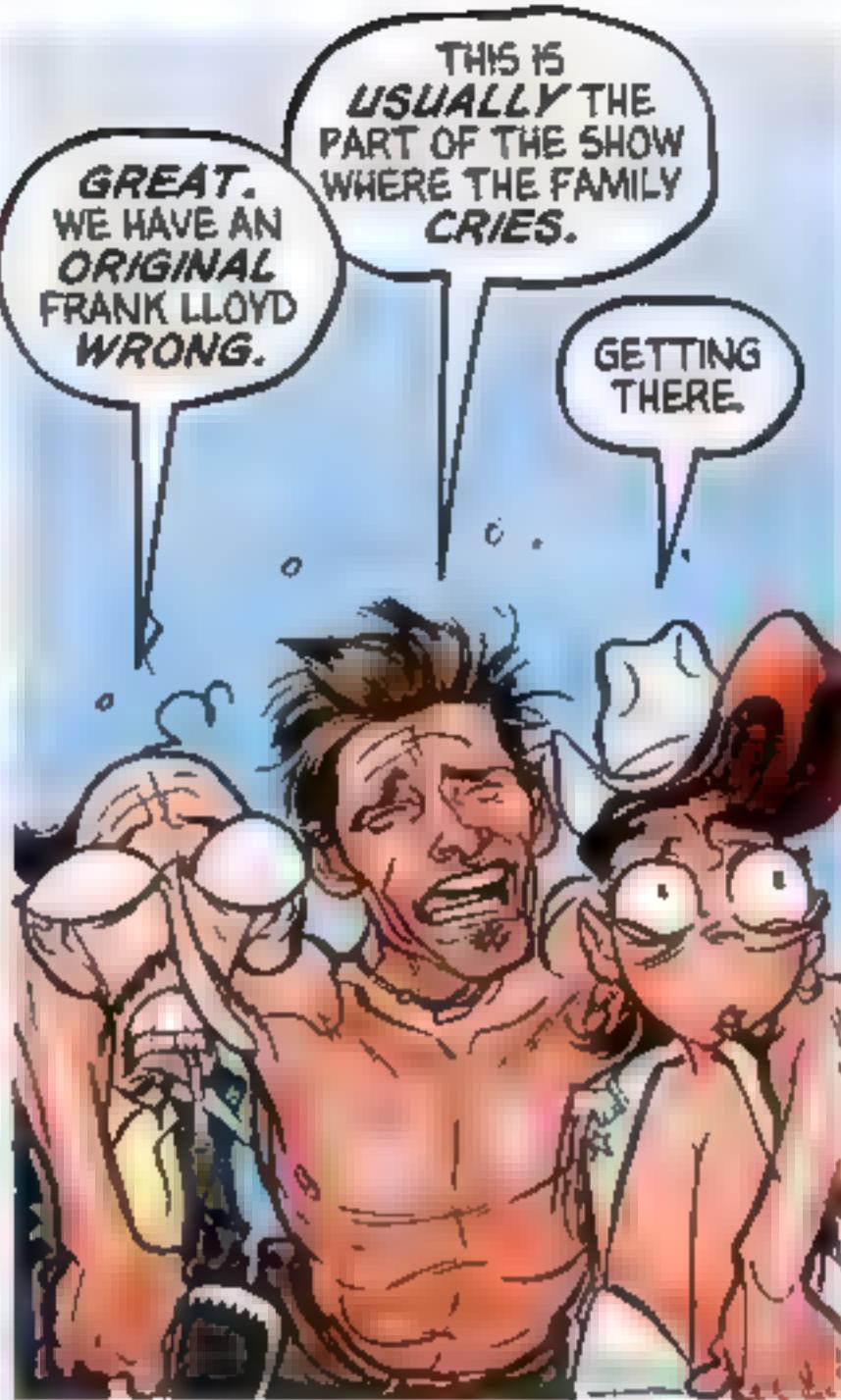
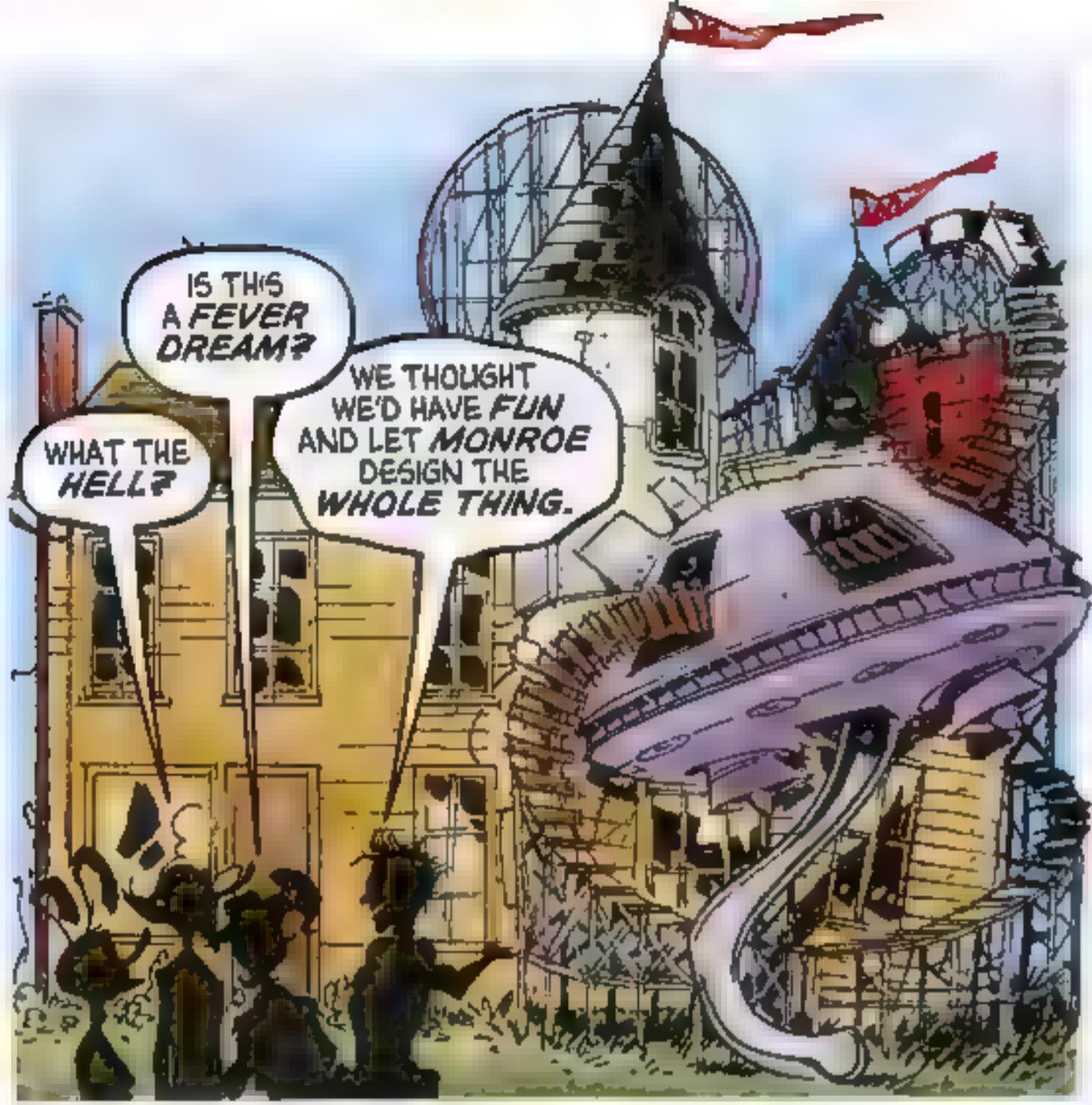
Get ready for
a complete
teardown, it's...

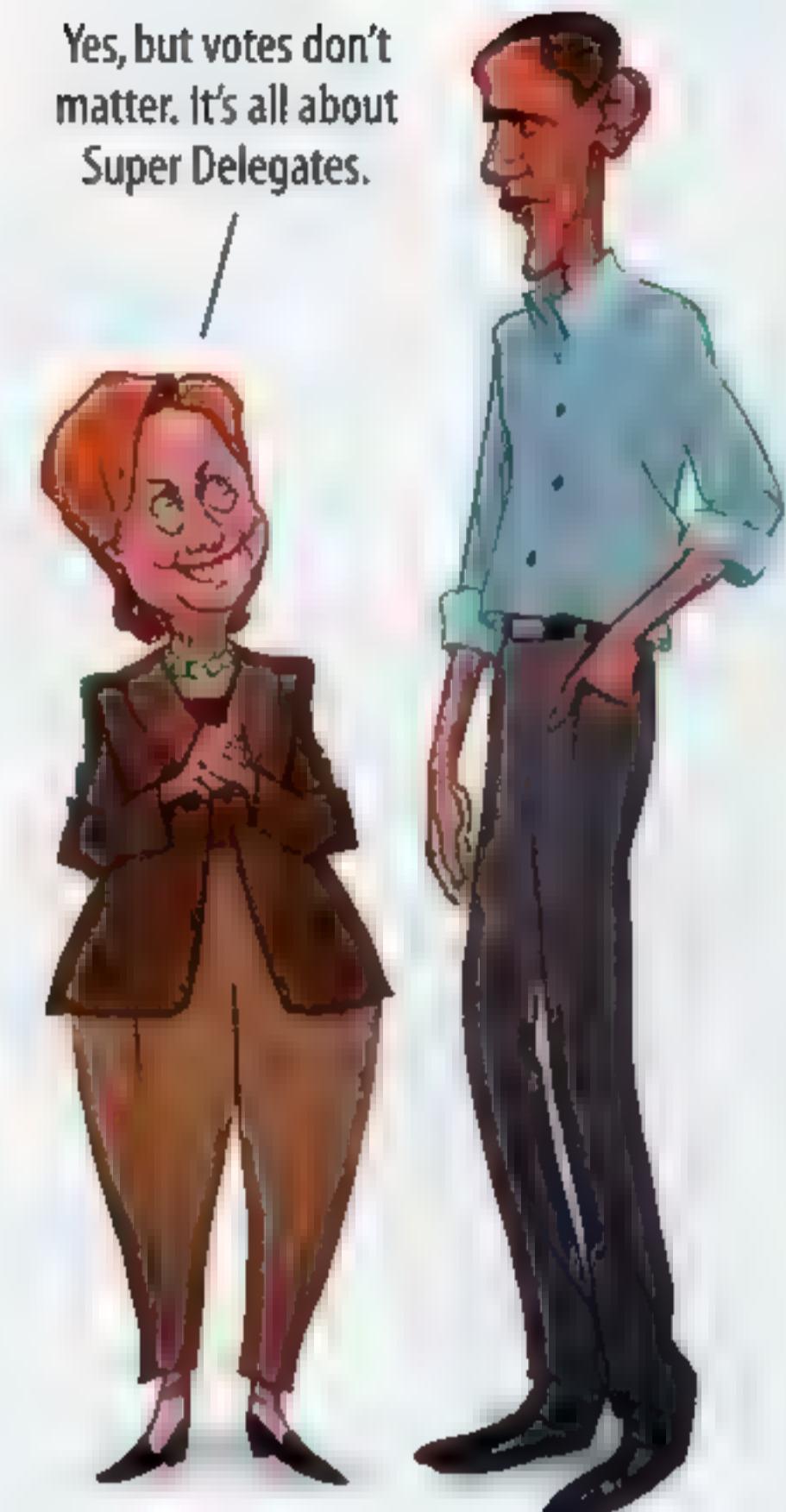
MONROE

and...

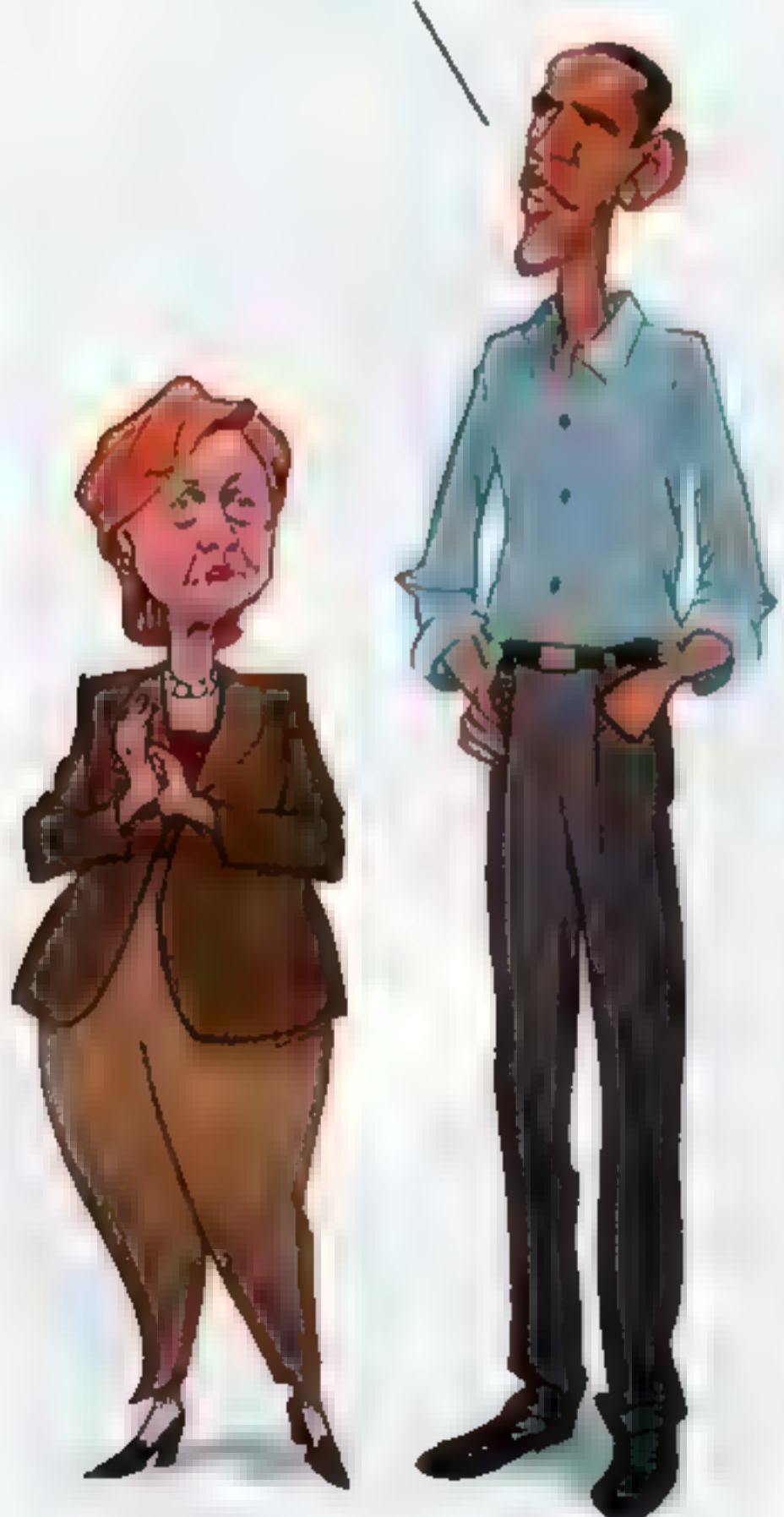
Extreme Makeover







Ignoring the primary voter doesn't
sound very democratic. If you get the
most votes, you should win.



THE POTTY STARTS HERE!



Shinchan

SEASON
ONE

PART 1



ON THE DVD MAY 13TH

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EVERYONE AGREE
THE LEVEL OF
PATIENT CARE IS
DEPLORABLE?

HERE WE GO WITH ANOTHER RIDICULOUS **MAD FOLD-IN**

Across the world there are people in desperate need of help. You see it on television all the time — distraught, downtrodden individuals reaching out, begging for assistance and only receiving shoddy, woefully inadequate care. But there is one place in particular where serious problems are unaddressed and mismanaged. To find out where it is, fold page in as shown.



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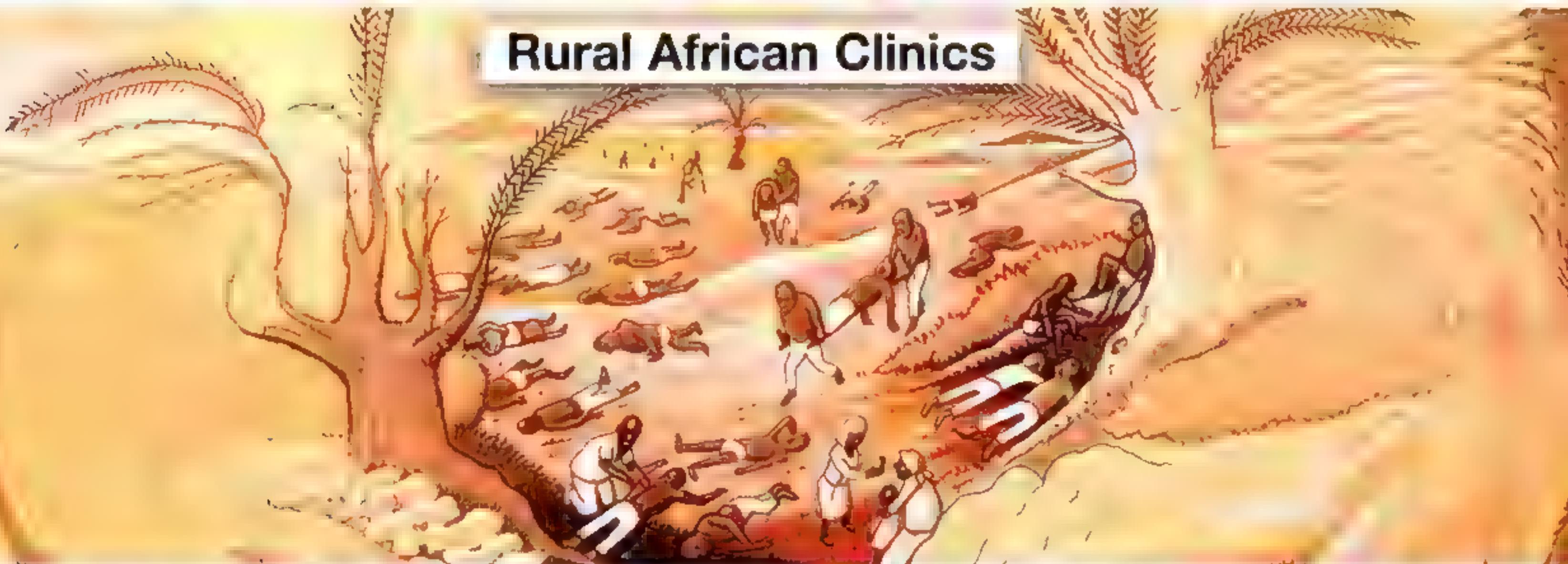
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Walter Reed Hospital



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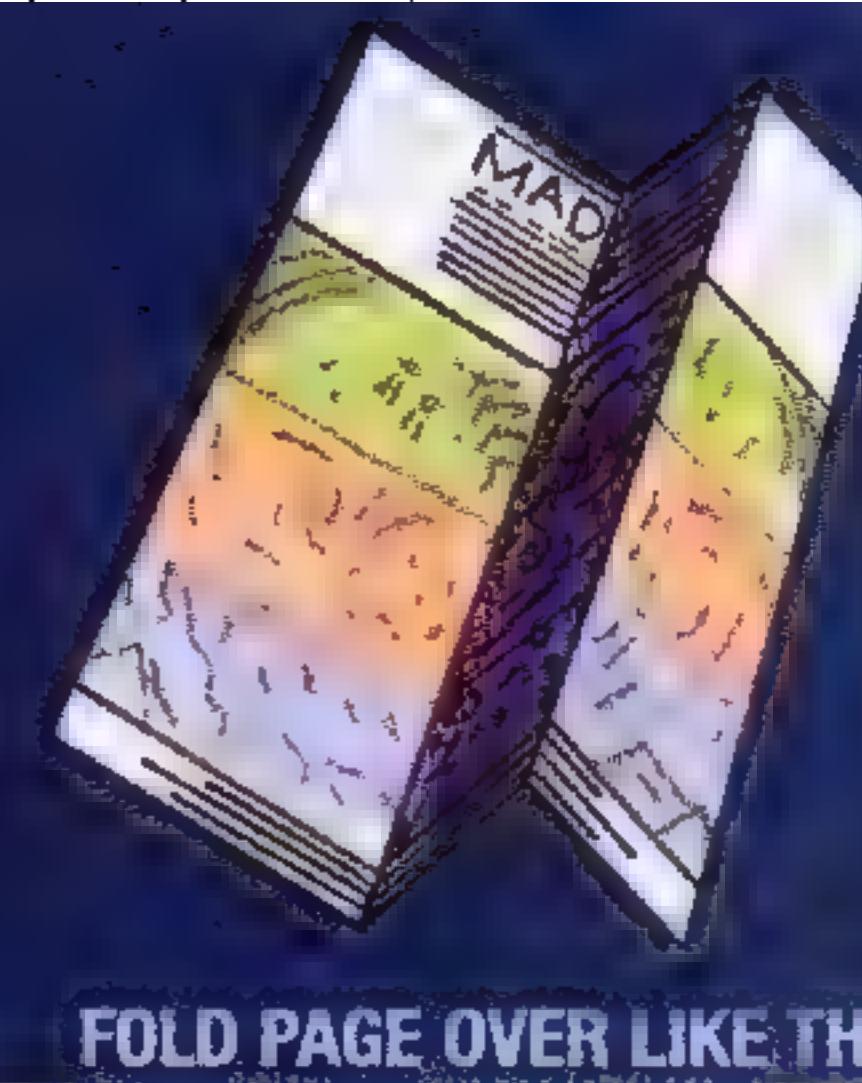


Hurricane Katrina Locations



ONE THING PATIENTS CAN COUNT ON IS THE DOCUMENTED RECORD OF LOUSY CARE. EVERY SECTOR OF MEDICAL SERVICE IS AFFECTED. EVEN PHILANTHROPISTS' MONEY CAN'T HELP. EVERYBODY'S SURVIVAL IS AT RISK. THIS MUST CHANGE SOMEHOW

**WHERE DOES
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ON
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PHIL'S
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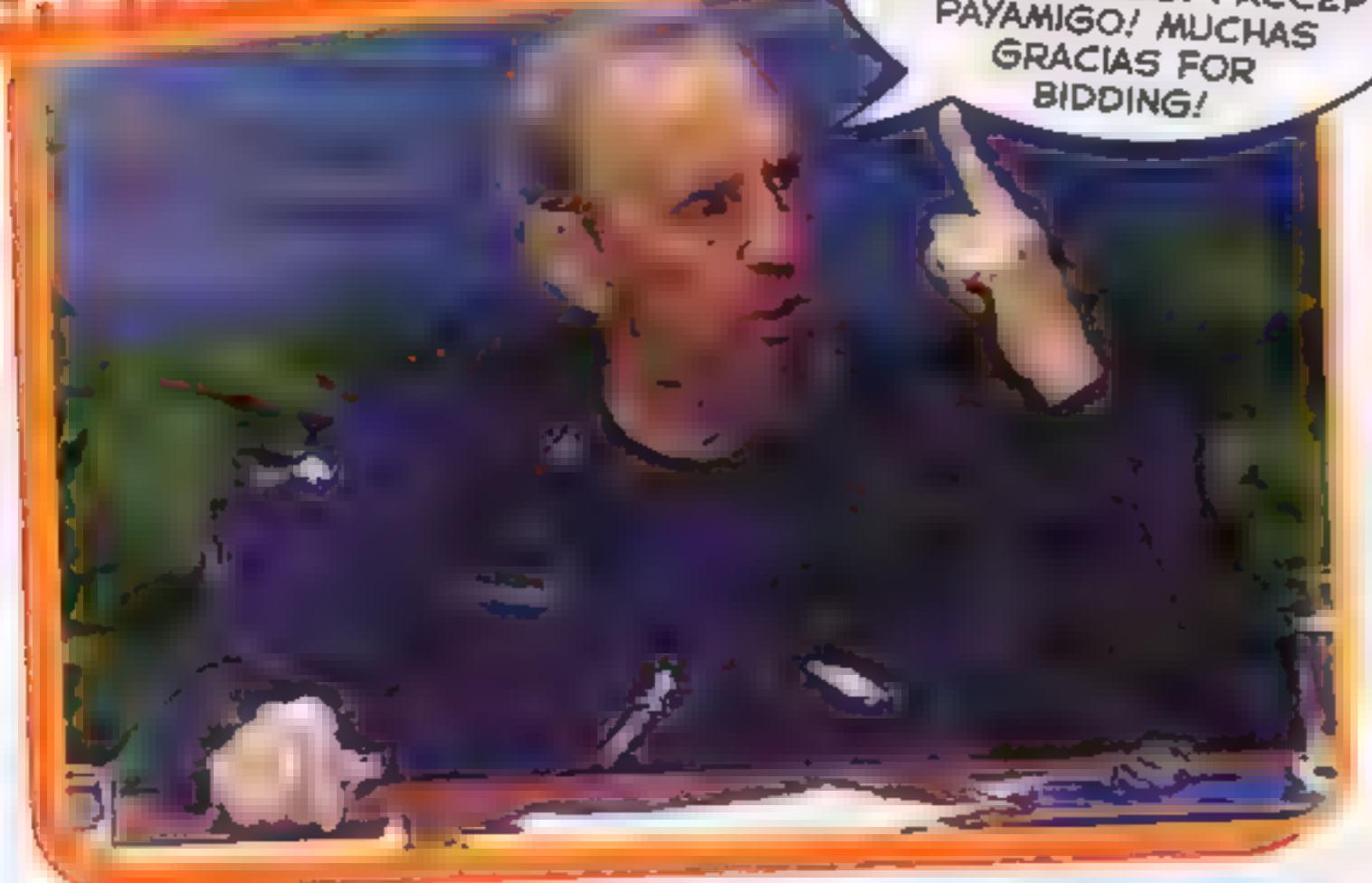
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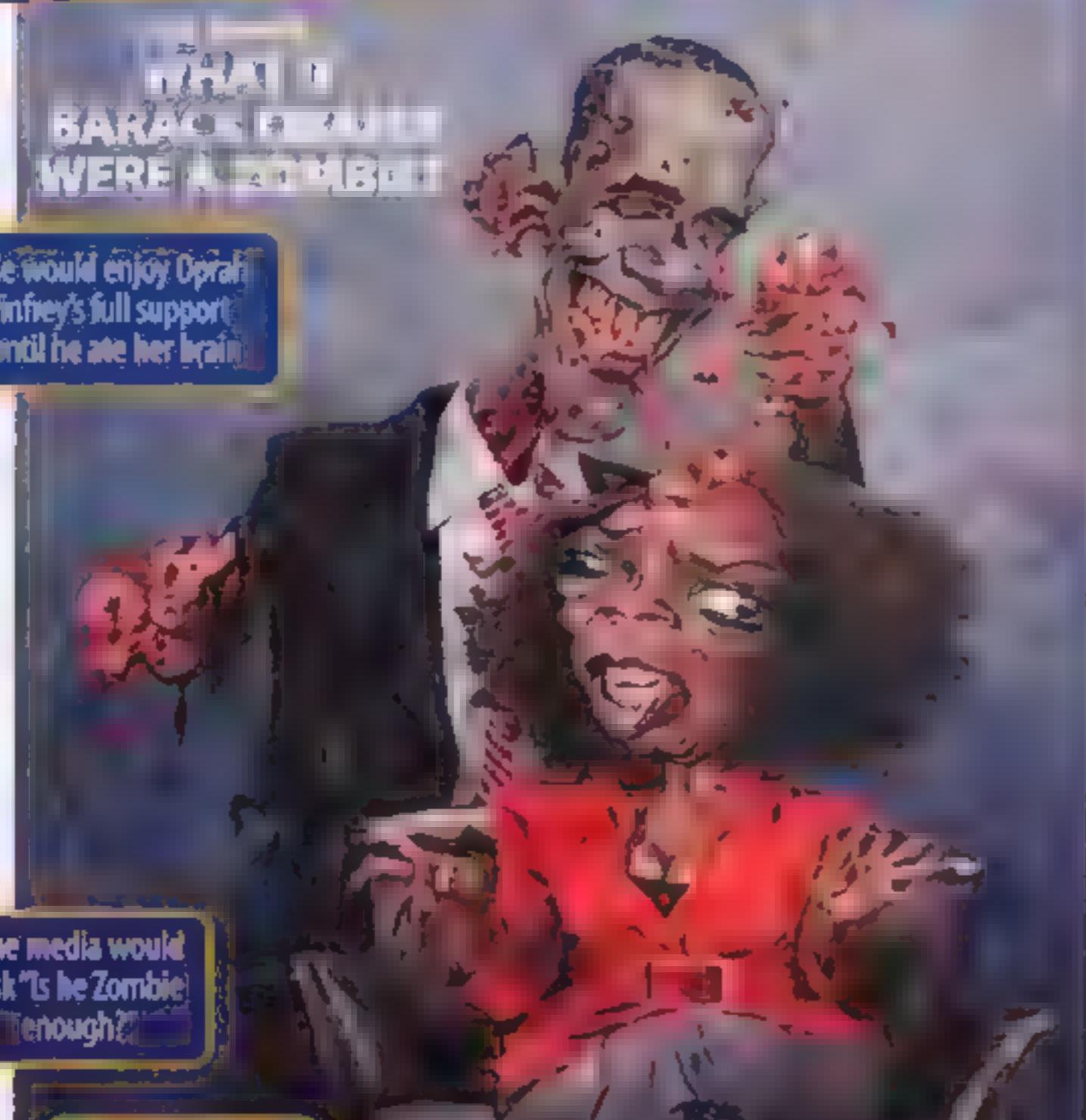
XBOX 360 LIVE

THE FUNDALINI PAGES

FUNDALINI CRIMINALS



FUNDALINI ASKS "WHAT IF...?"



LESS POPULAR CONSPIRACY THEORIES

Yeshiva University, the Israeli government and Mort's Deli in Milwaukee are all run by the Jews.

The Weekly World News was forced to fold by the European banking community when the paper got too close to blowing the lid off of an International Monetary Fund scandal run by the Loch Ness Monster.



Paul McCartney actually did die in the Sixties and was replaced by a lookalike, thereby explaining some of the awful songs he sang after going solo.

Those U.S. attorneys were fired by the Bush Administration because they knew too much about *The Sopranos* finale and threatened to tell.

Traffic lights are really a government program to control drivers by means of electronic devices.

The logo on the Underwood Deviled Ham can is satanic.

Ulysses S. Grant was really America's first woman president, a fact that bigoted portraitists have successfully hidden over the years, though there are clues on the \$50 bill.



Al Gore actually fixed the Florida vote count against himself, because he couldn't bear to host the hated Red Sox at the White House. (Yes, of course the 2004 World Series was fixed well in advance. You didn't know?)

Buddy Holly actually survived his plane crash, got plastic surgery and resurfaced as John Denver (then, tragically, actually did die in a plane crash many years later).

You've never seen a photograph of Dick Cheney standing alongside Idi Amin, and with good reason, they faked the Apollo moon landing together.



LEAST-LISTED ITEMS ON THE AVERAGE AMERICAN'S "BUCKET LIST"

1. Attend a WNBA exhibition game
2. Meet the entire cast of a.k.a. Pablo
3. Rent the director's cut DVD of *The Bucket List*
4. Eat an actual frozen faux-Philly cheesesteak sandwich from Hot Pockets
- 5.

EDITOR'S NOTE:
THE WRITER DIED BEFORE COMPLETING THIS LIST. MAY HE REST IN PEACE.

DEFENSES TO USE WHEN YOU'RE SUED BY THE MUSIC INDUSTRY FOR ILLEGAL DOWNLOADING



MELVIN & JENKINS' GUIDE TO PET CARE



Jenkins might grumble a bit, but he always gets up to give the dog its early-morning walk.



Melvin believes that's one of the beauties of living in a high-rise building.

THE FAST 5 EASTER CANDIES STILL LEFT ON THE SHELF

- 1 Chocolate Judas Coins
- 2 Cadbury Egg With Real Hard-Boiled Yolk Center
- 3 Sauerkraut Peeps
- 4 K-Y Jelly Bellies
- 5 Pastel-Colored M&M Shells With No Chocolate Center



LELIEVRE AND LET LELIEVRE



REVELATIONS LEFT OUT OF THE TELL-ALL TOM CRUISE BIOGRAPHY

- Bought a 7-bedroom mansion in order to accommodate Katie and Suri, plus all his different personalities.
- Once got into a heated argument with Mel Gibson over who is the "Sexiest Lunatic Alive."
- His online rant was nominated for a YouTube Video Award, but narrowly lost out to a karaoke-singing dog.
- Briefly flirted with the Church of the Flying Spaghetti Monster before reaffirming his faith in Scientology.
- In addition to opposing antidepressants, he is also violently against chewable vitamins.
- He's threatened a lawsuit against anyone reading this list right now.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE POPE'S VISIT TO YANKEE STADIUM

- The swinging incense bowl comes in awfully handy when His Holiness enters one of Yankee Stadium's funky men's rooms
- The Holy Father blesses the water used to water down the beer
- Five of the elderly Italian Cardinals are mistaken for the Yankees' starting rotation
- The entire Yankee infield is absolved of all errors, be they of commission or omission
- A skeptical Derek Jeter listens politely to the Pope's advice on celibacy
- Fans remember it as the best Cap Day ever!



It's an old rule of writing: Write what you know! And the producers of Christina Applegate's new show have really taken this to heart. They're writing about amnesia, something they must really know! It's obvious they've totally forgotten about cleverness, wit and, heck anything at all to do with good comedy writing. It's no wonder that after watching just one episode, most viewers have been heard to exclaim...

Slomantha WHO CARES!

WRITER: DICK DEBARTOLO
ARTIST: TOM RICHMOND

They tell me I'm Slomantha, but who knows?!? I went into a coma after a hit and run accident and now I'm suffering from amnesia! Or am I? I just told you, I can't remember anything!

No, I'm pretty sure I am! I asked the doctor how long my amnesia will last and he told me probably one season. But he said if I milk it for all it's worth, maybe two seasons! He said three seasons would be a miracle of Biblical proportions!

I'm Dr. Derek Shepherd, a.k.a McDreamy from *Grey's Anatomy*. I should add one other critical thing to Slomantha's diagnosis. If she thinks she's the only one with amnesia, just wait! Now that *Dancing with the Stars* is over and no longer her lead-in, I'm betting thousands of viewers are going to suffer mass amnesia about her and this show in no time! Now I'm leaving — I only stopped in to give a second opinion! My first opinion? This show sucks!

Before her accident, my daughter, Slomantha, was a backstabbing, hard-drinking, potty-mouthed, ruthless bitch! Don't get me wrong, she didn't totally take after me! She had bad qualities, too! We were not very close, but the car accident brought us together. I mean, as soon as I heard she was involved in a hit and run, I came right to the hospital!

I would feel awful if she passed on without my saying, "Honey, sign this Last Will and Testament I wrote up on the way over here!"

I'm Slomantha's dad! I'm not one for words, which is a good thing! Between my big-mouth wife and Slomantha I rarely can get a word in edge-wise anyway! But instead of getting annoyed, I just take my gun and go out into the woods! Sure, sitting in a damp tent, eating beans out of a can while I fight off bugs isn't the most pleasant thing in the world! But trust me — it's a hell of a lot better than staying home with those two nut jobs!



I'm the doorman at the upscale Chicago apartment building where Slomantha used to live. A lot of people treated me like just a doorman! But Slomantha was different! She treated me like a doormat! She was a snotty, obnoxious brat who ignored me and never tipped! But since her amnesia she now treats me like her best friend and confidant! To be honest, I liked it better the other way! Who needs to listen to all her problems! Who does she think I am, Dr. Phil with epaulets? She still doesn't tip, though!

I was Slomantha's neighbor and childhood friend for years and years. In the seventh grade we started to drift apart. It was little things, like Slomantha telling me I was fat and ugly and that she never wanted to talk to me, ever again! As a kid, those innocent things can be hurtful! Hopefully Slomantha's amnesia wiped out all those negative thoughts and I can rekindle our old friendship! Once that's done, well, it will be time for me to try and run her down! This time, for good! Revenge is sweet!

I'm Odd, Slomantha's long-suffering ex-boyfriend! I can't believe a hit and run accident left Slomantha with no memory of our rocky relationship and its excruciating end! But being a nice guy, I hope she pulls through! But if she does, I also hope she doesn't remember all the great clothes and jewelry she left at my apartment! Giving her stuff away as gifts to my new girlfriends has been the only good thing to come out of our relationship!

As Slomantha's best friend, this is a tragic turn of events! Slomantha doesn't remember that we worked together! Even worse, she doesn't remember we were best club-hopping tramps together! I couldn't stand to lose her friendship! I don't know where else I could find a shallow, mega-bitch like her! She's everything I admire in a friend!

SPIKING THE PUNCHLINE DEPT.

A joke's a joke, right? Wrong! Even with the same joke, different comedians will bring different tone, timing, and delivery to it. Of course, that doesn't mean it's ever funny — as you'll see with...

IF DIFFERENT COMEDIANS TOLD THE SAME JOKE

WHY DID THE CHICKEN CROSS THE ROAD?

DANE COOK

Why did the chicken cross the road? I mean, what was this fowl doing trying to cross the street? For what reason was this soon-to-be-in-a-KFC-value-meal-crossing-a-busy intersection filled with vehicles? You have gallus gallus domesticus — or GGD, as I like to call it — this GGD trying to transverse the street meeting point, if you will, and no one knows why. Thank you!

JAY LENO

Hey, this is a good one. I don't know if you guys heard, but the other day a chicken was spotted crossing the road. The cops, after capturing the stray chicken, said that the chicken was set loose in an act of fowl play. Thank you, thank you... but the real trouble began when the chicken couldn't set bail, because his nest egg had already been liquidated. Kevin knows what I'm talking about!

WRITER: HARRISON GREENBAUM
ARTIST: JASON SEILER

LEWIS BLACK

I saw the other day — and I kid you not — a chicken trying to cross the road. It may have, in fact, been a great time for road crossing, if you were a f**kin' car. But a chicken? A f**kin' chicken?!? Are you f**kin' kidding me? What is this chicken doing near a road? How did this happen? When did chickens decide to travel by road? Shouldn't they be traveling — oh, I don't know — near the farm?!? The next time I see a chicken trying to cross the road, I'm going to take a spoon and shove it in my eye! Because at least that would actually make sense!

ELLEN DEGENERES

So the other day I saw this, this chicken, just standing in the middle of nowhere. Which was a little weird. And the first thing I thought was, "Why is there a chicken?" Because here's this chicken, but it could have been a turkey or a duck or a Canadian goose or something, but it's a chicken and it looks like it's about to cross. And as I'm thinking all these things, this, this bird is standing right next to a road and it's gesturing with its foot — or is it a claw? — whatever it is, it's heading into the street, so I carefully scoop it up. And I get to thinking, "Where did this chicken come from?" These things aren't from the suburbs. That's when I realize that not only is my little neighbor's birthday party not going well, but his parents aren't getting the deposit back on that petting zoo they rented.

CARLOS MENCIA

There was this beamer chicken, man, who was always trying to cross the road. Course, if this chicken was a full Mexican, he'd have the crossed the road in a car filled with 30 other Mexican chickens! But this beamer chicken couldn't cross the road because this farmer, see, he put a huge ol' fence blocking his way. What a DEE-dee-dee! I mean, everyone knows that climbing a big fence is easy for Mexicans — even the chickens.

Portions of this joke were taken from the acts of Joe Rogan, George Lopez, Bill Cosby and others.



MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PRODUCTIONS IN COOPERATION WITH THE PLAYERS ASSOCIATION

PRESENTS

A NEW FILM BY BUD SELIG

BAD NEWS Bare Apes

"I loved it, no ifs, ands or butts!"
— George Mitchell

"I told you so!"
— Jose Canseco's Ghostwriter

"My attorney has advised me to remain silent."

*"I did not see this movie
to talk about the past."*
Mark McGwire

Mark McGwire

*"Clemens is guilty!
Wanna bet?"*
Pete Rose

A political cartoon by Sam Sisko. The scene is set on a baseball field with a green grassy background. In the center, a large, multi-headed snake with several heads labeled "Bank" and "Betting" is coiled. Several baseball players from different eras are gathered around it. On the left, a player in a grey uniform looks on. Next to him, a player in a yellow cap and grey uniform has his hand on his hip. In the foreground, a player in a red t-shirt and grey pants holds a key, while another player in a white t-shirt and grey pants holds a balance scale. To the right, a player in a white uniform with a cap holds a baseball bat. Other players are visible in the background, some holding bats and others looking on. The artist's signature "SISKO" is in the bottom right corner.

Baseball has rules. Not that these a-holes care.

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MAD KIDS: Pop quiz. What is the capital of Montana?

MILEY CYRUS: Ummmmm... the capital is... Nashville? Ha ha ha. I have no idea... I've never been to Montana. I don't even know one thing about Montana.

COMIC STRIPS!

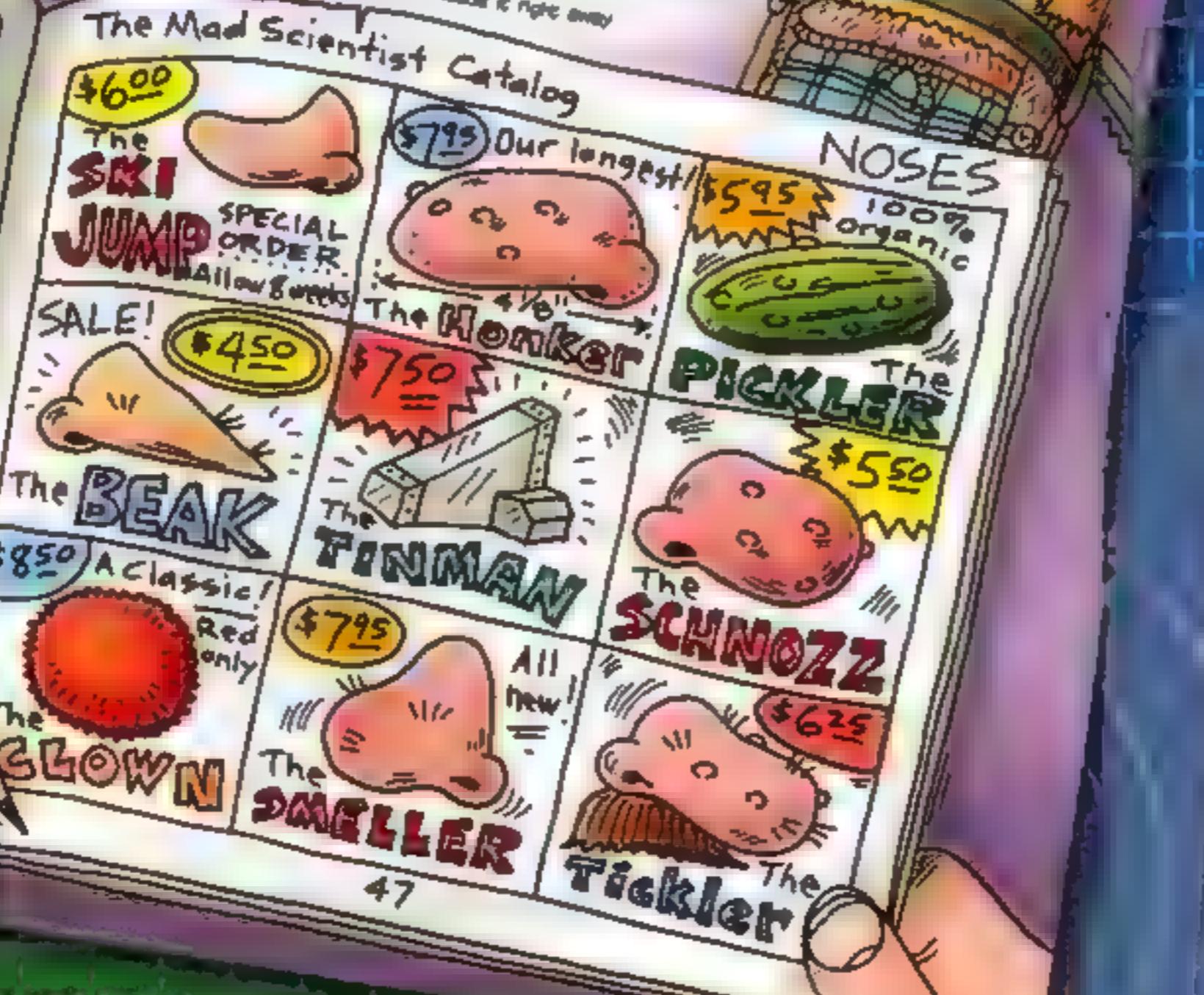


GAMES & PUZZLES!

PICK YOUR NOSE

- Or Sporkenfink needs to pick the perfect nose for his latest monster, but it has to meet all of his rather odd requirements. Using the clues, can you figure out which one he'll pick?
1. He's allergic to vegetables
 2. He can't spend over \$6
 3. The nose can't have an X, Y, or Z
 4. Hair or warts on it are okay, but it can't have both hair and warts
 5. It can't be more than 4 inches long
 6. No poorly-clipped noses
 7. He doesn't want a nose that might rust in rainy weather
 8. He needs it right away

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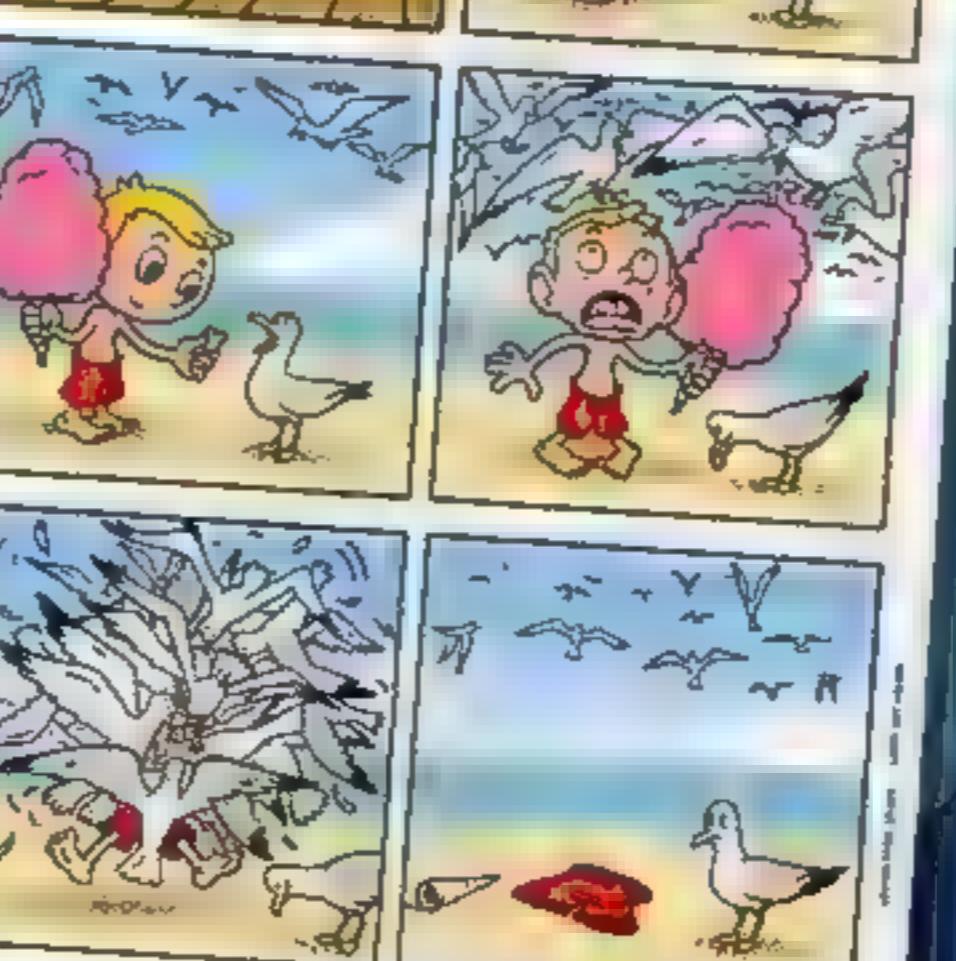


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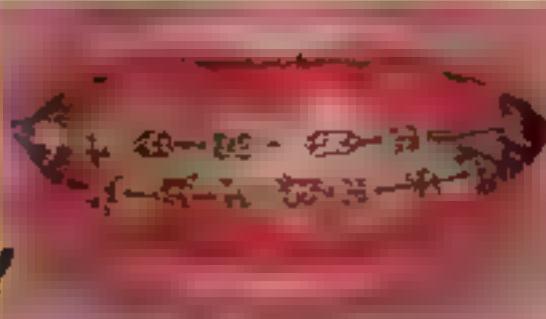
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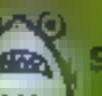
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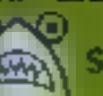
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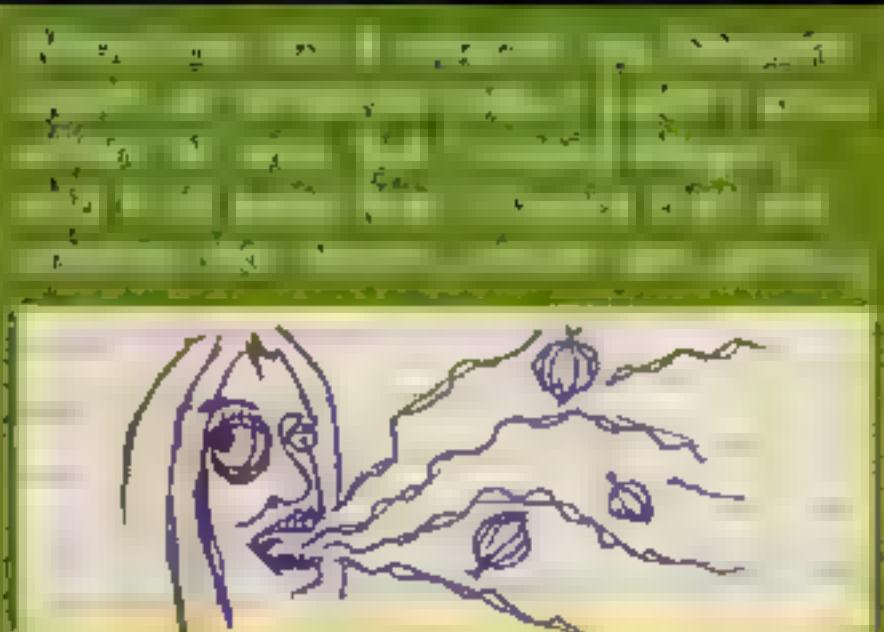
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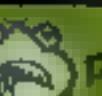
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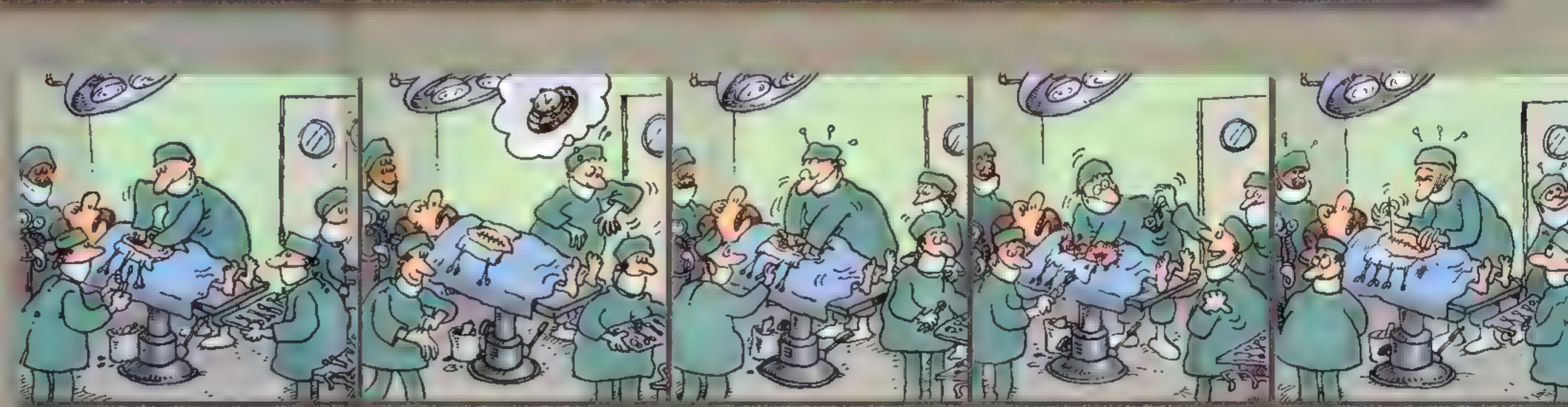
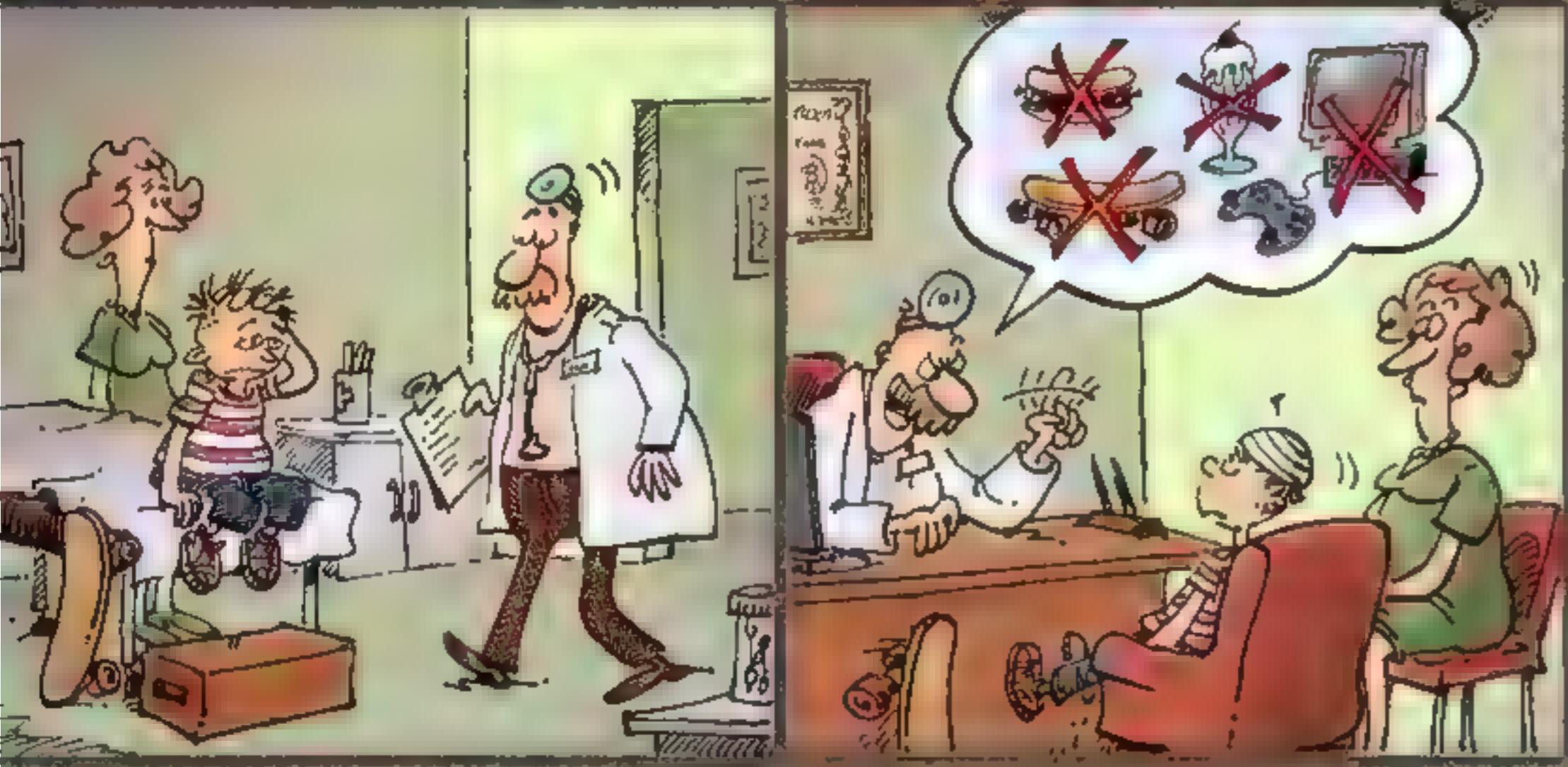
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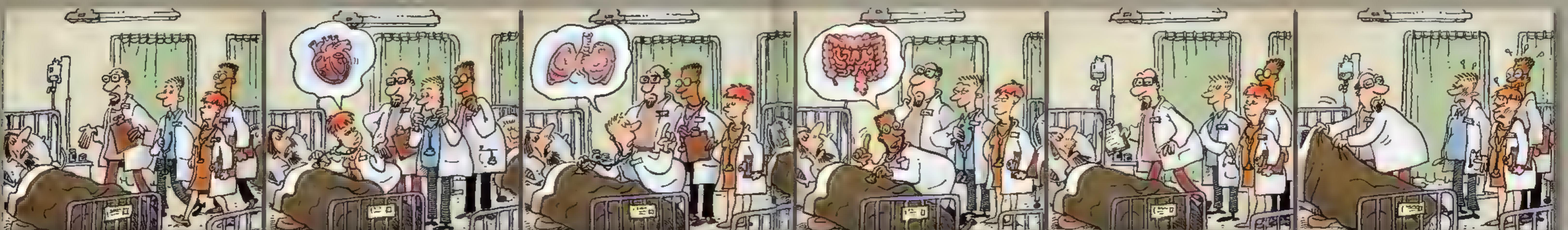
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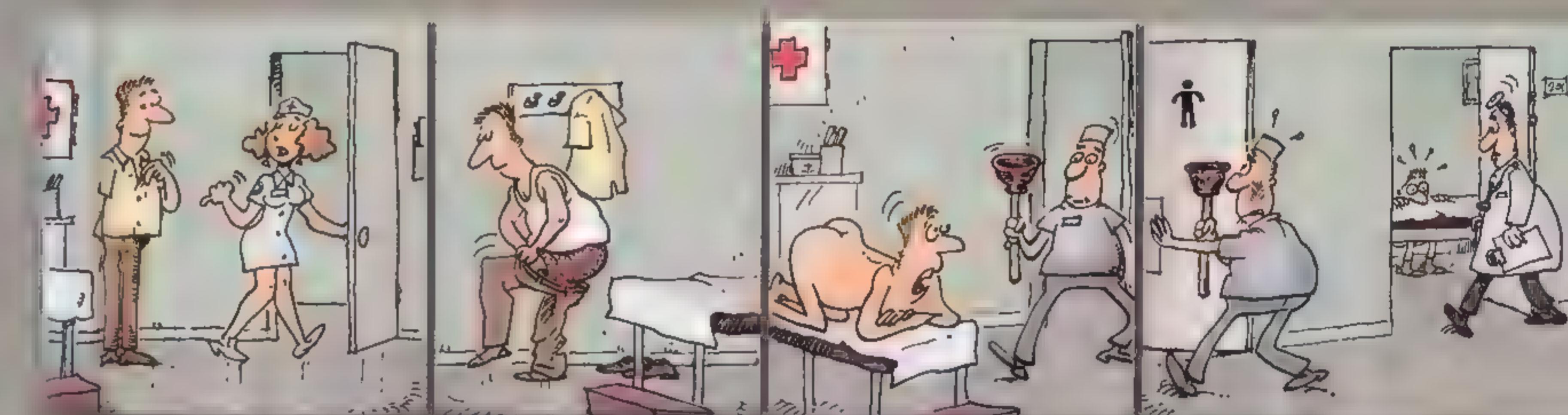
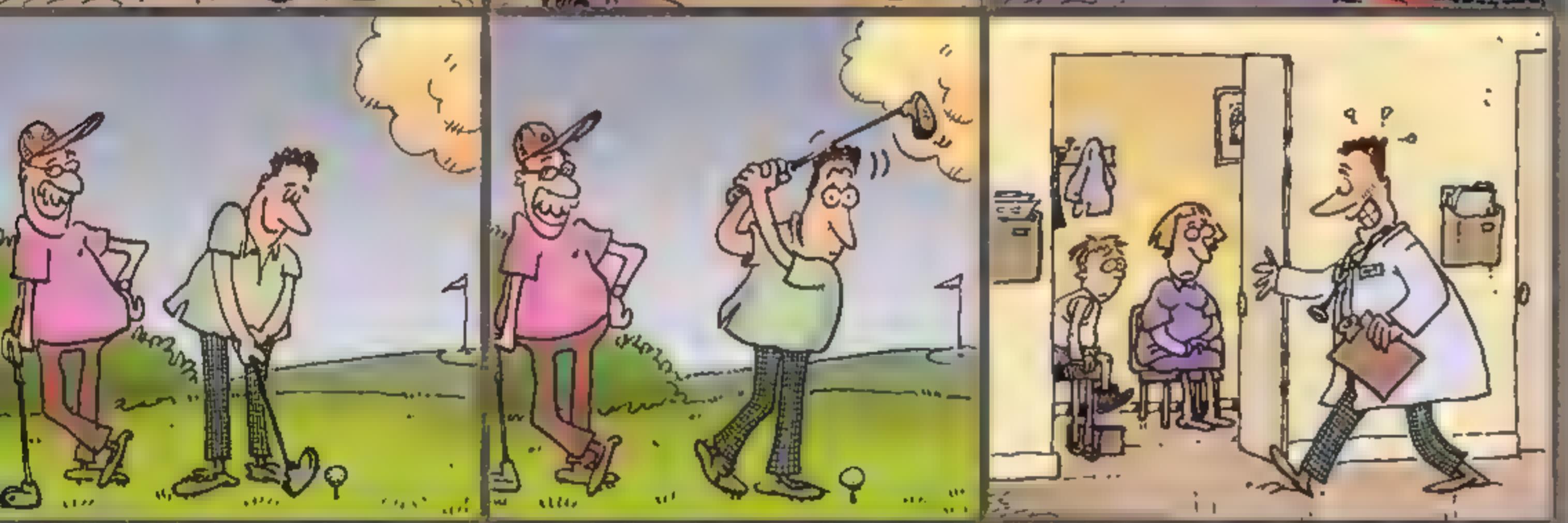
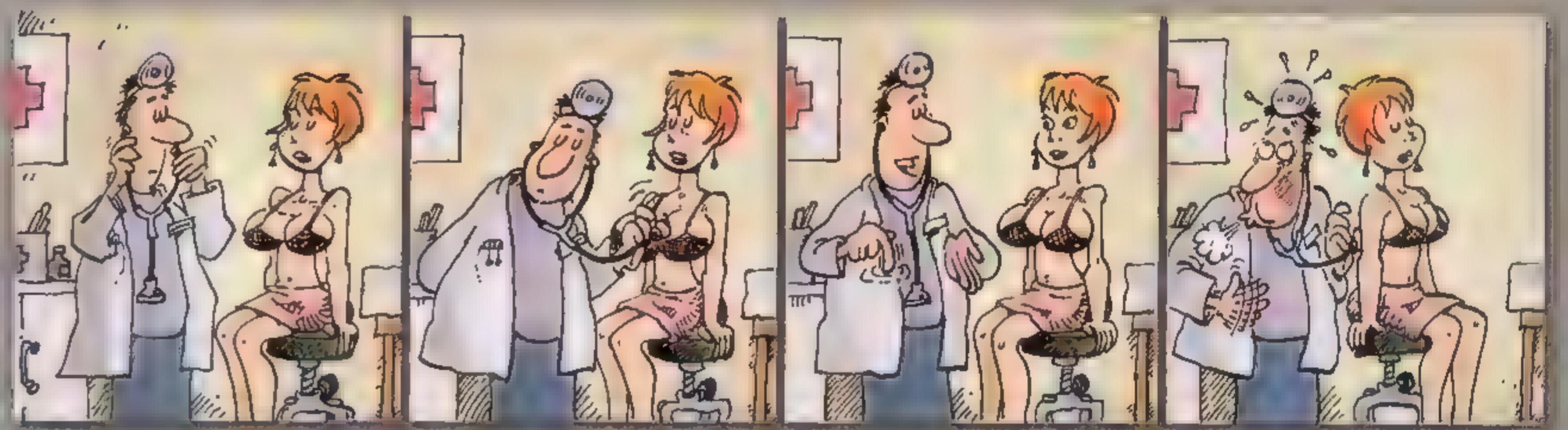
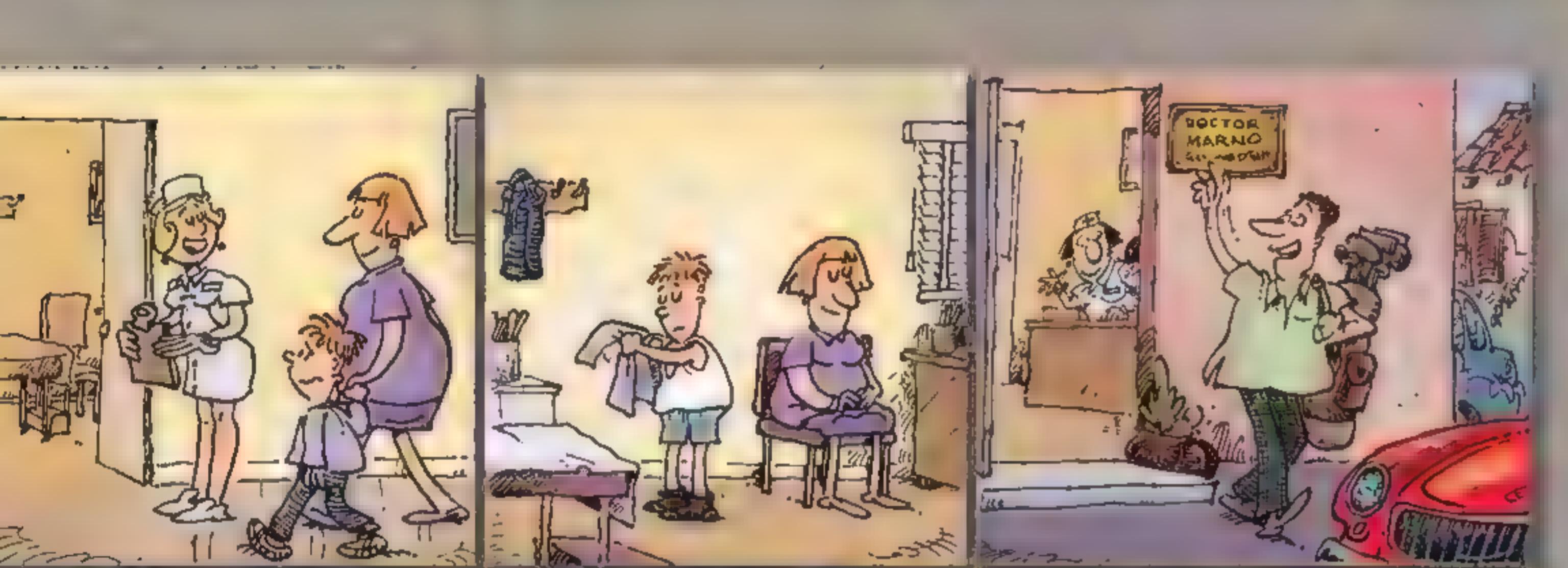
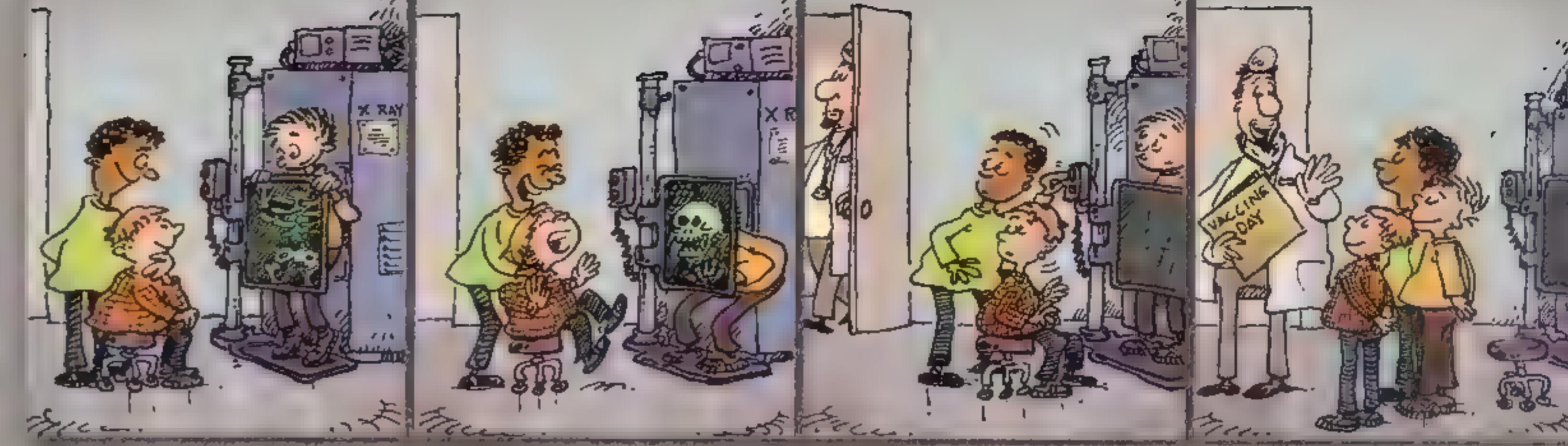
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WRITER AND ARTIST: SERGIO ARAGONES





One of the great tragedies (or benefits, depending on your point of view) of the recent Hollywood writers strike was the cancellation of the 2008 season of the violent, action-packed series 24. Millions of 24 addicts were left without their Jack Bauer fix. Or were they? Who needs Hollywood writers when we provide you with everything you need to plot your own ridiculous 24 saga...update your protocols! Here's...

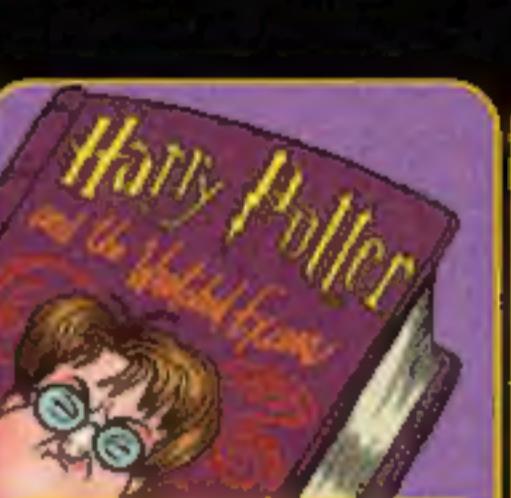
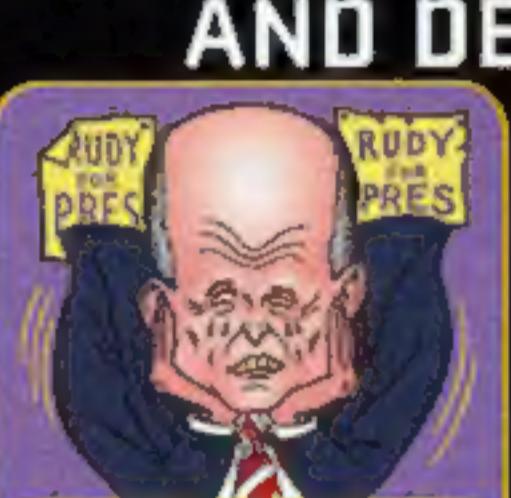
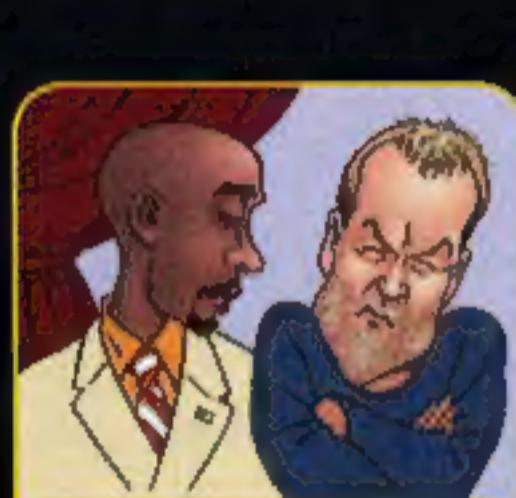
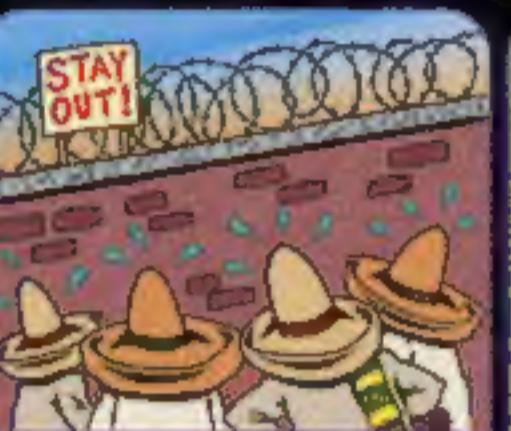
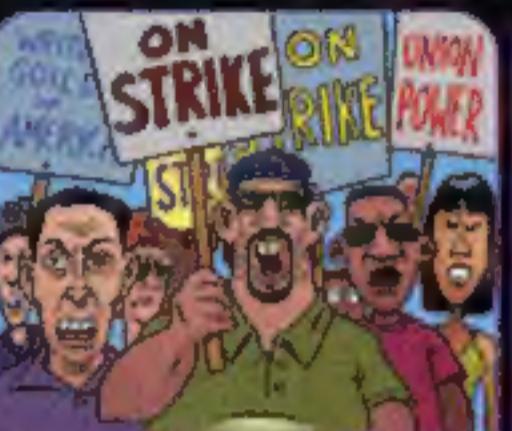
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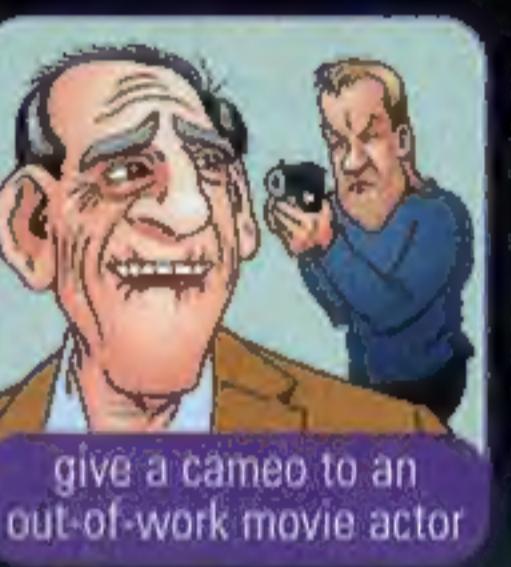
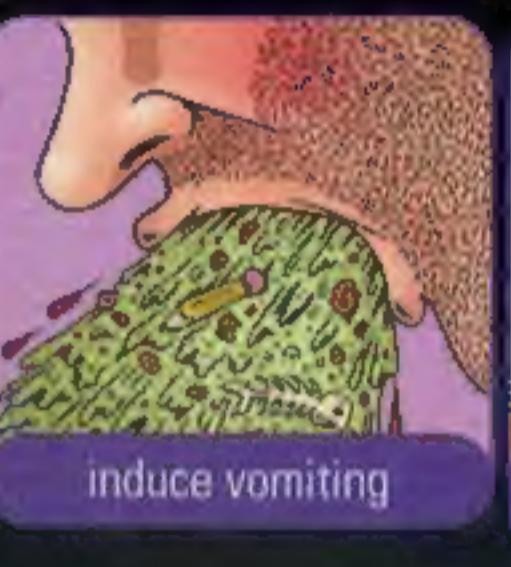
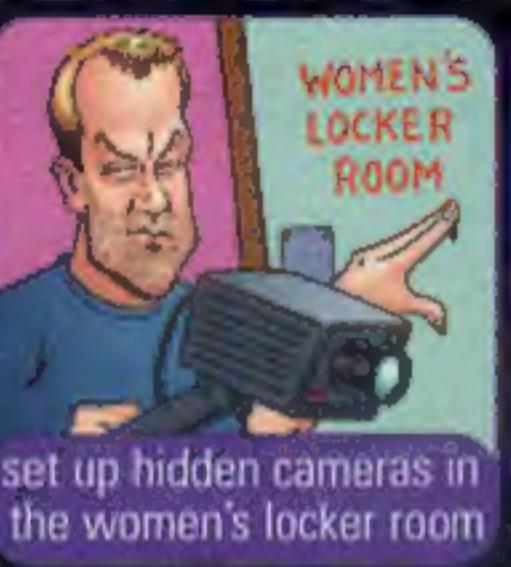
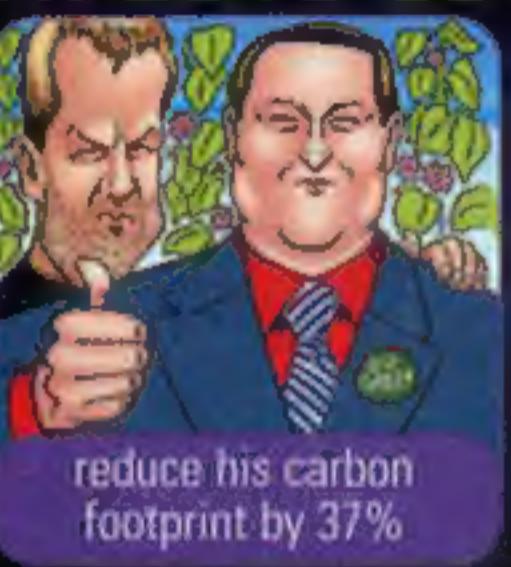
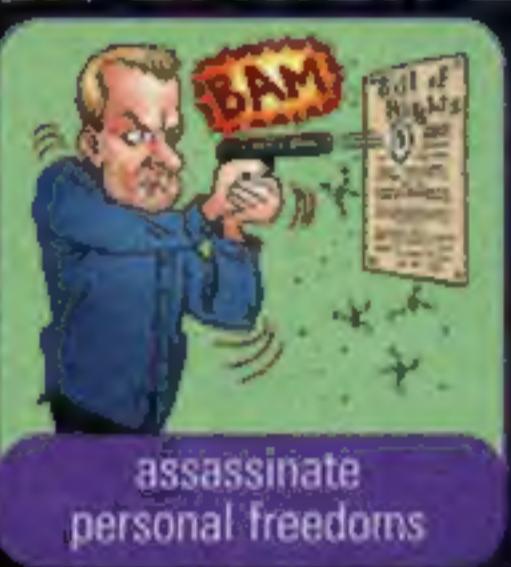
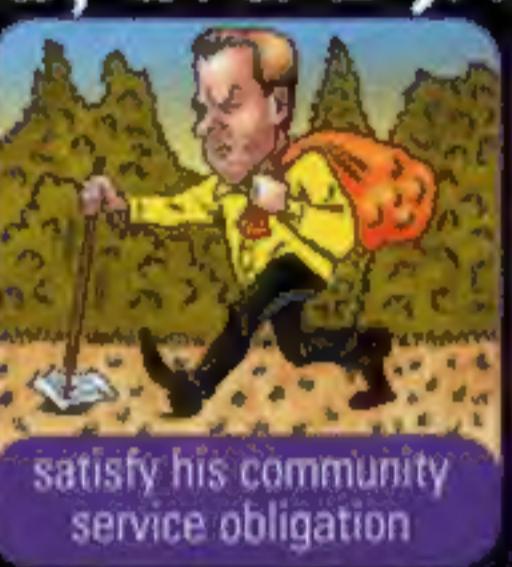
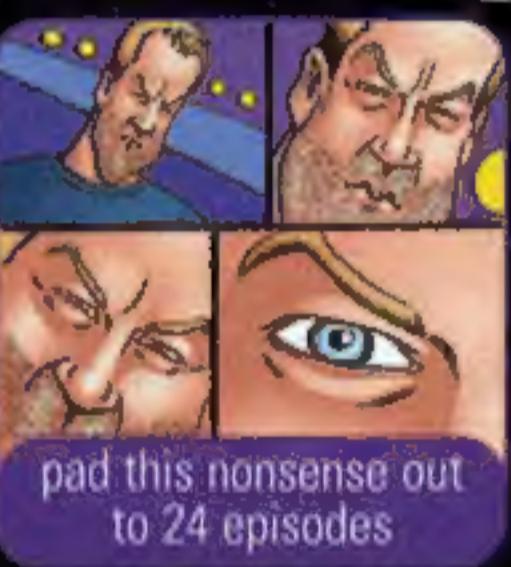
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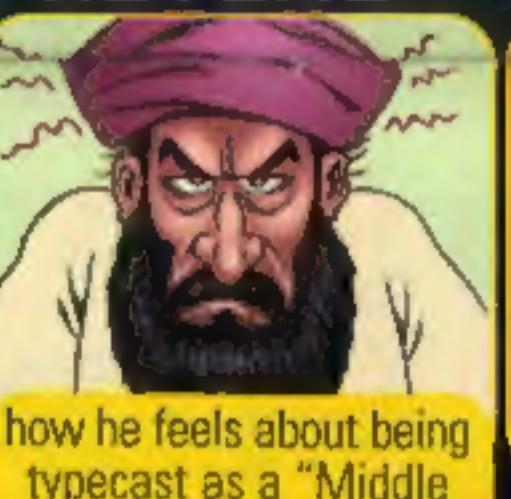
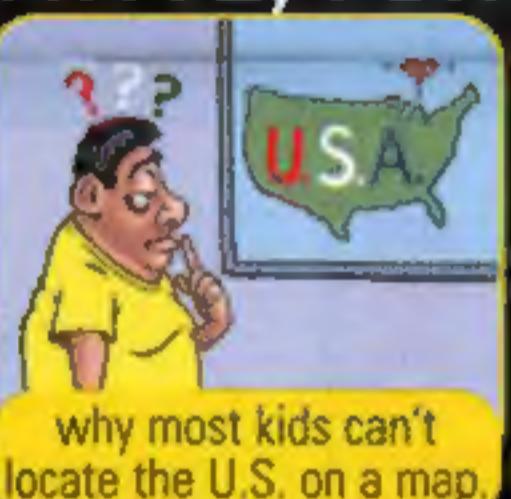
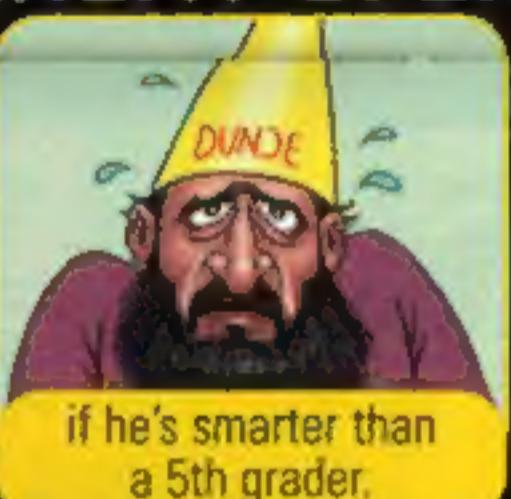
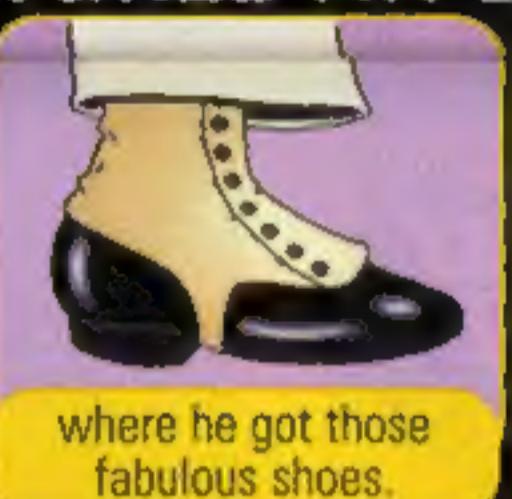
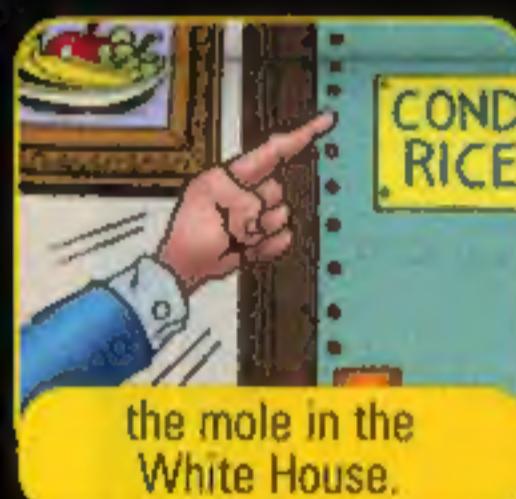
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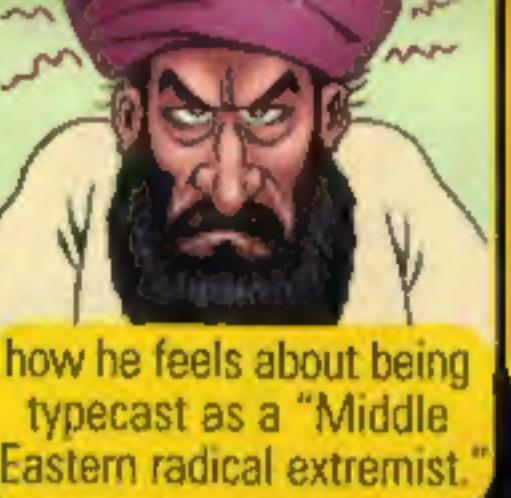
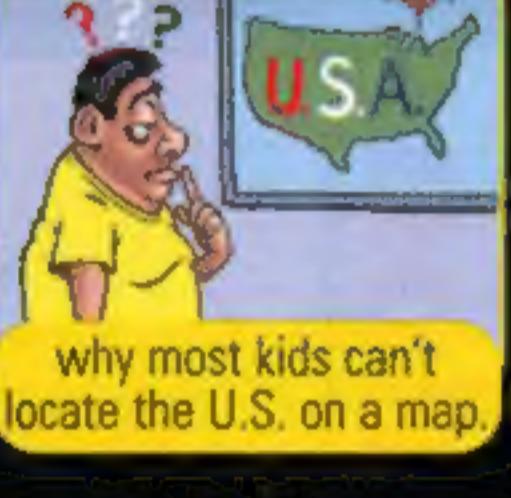
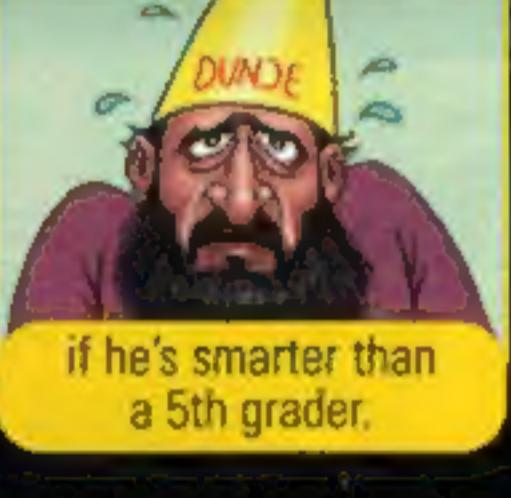
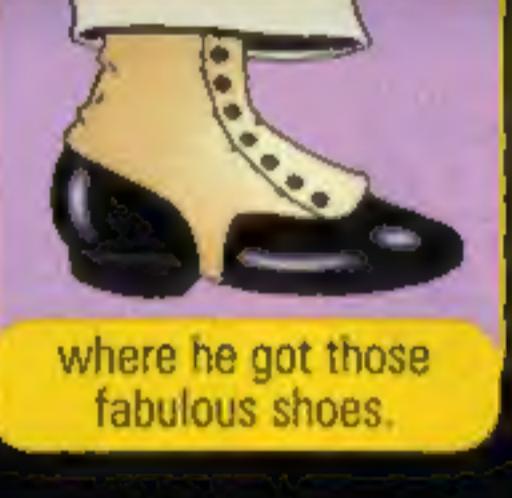
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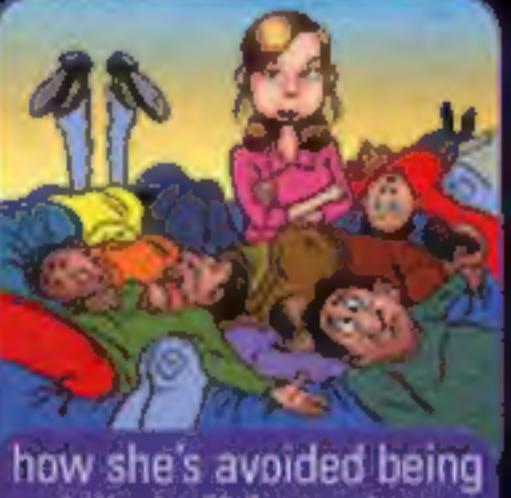
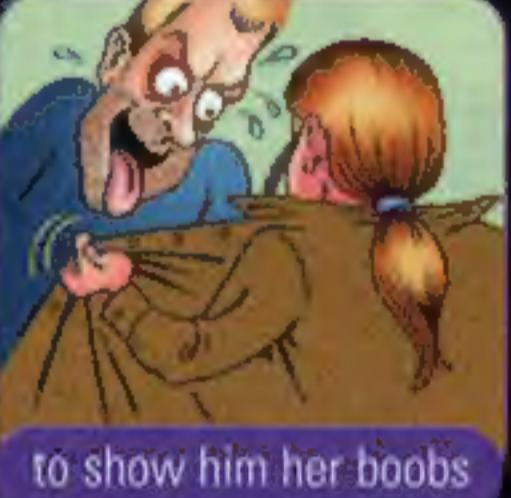
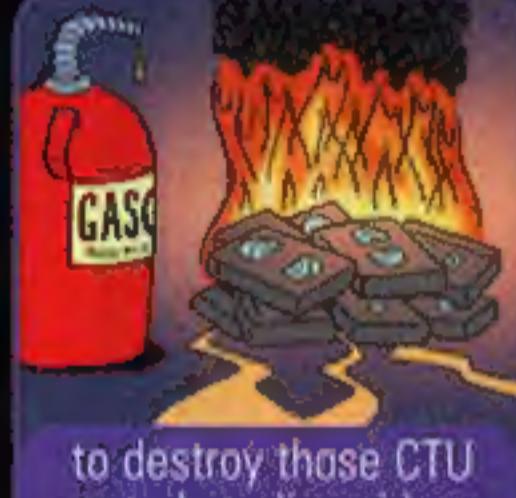
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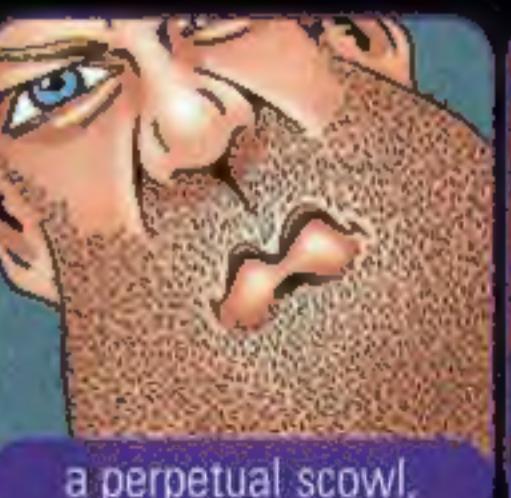
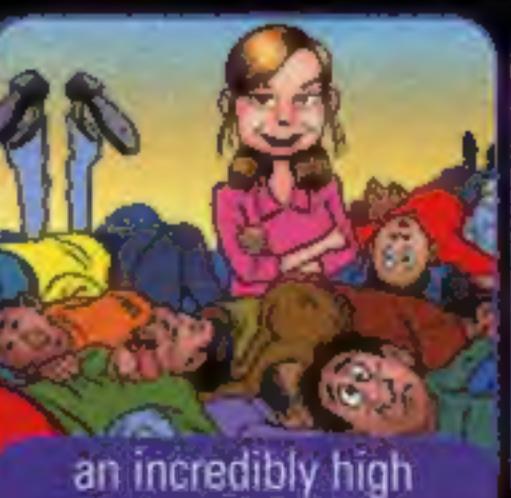
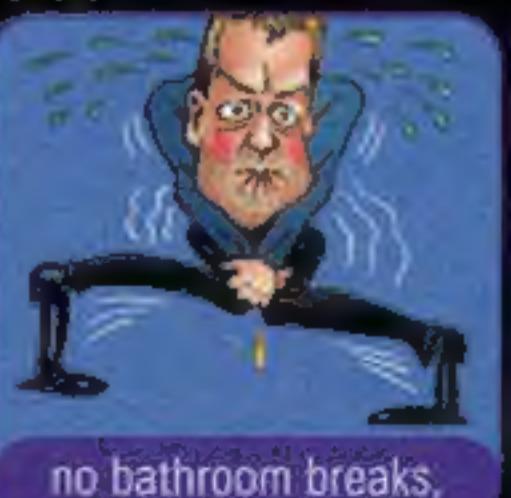
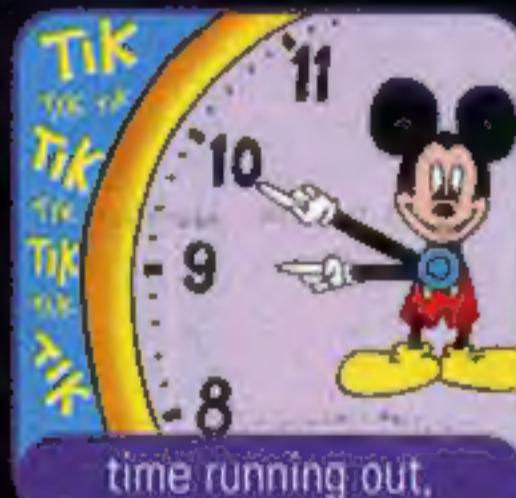
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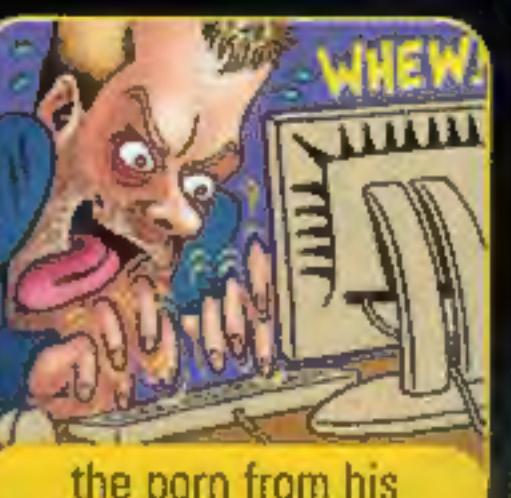
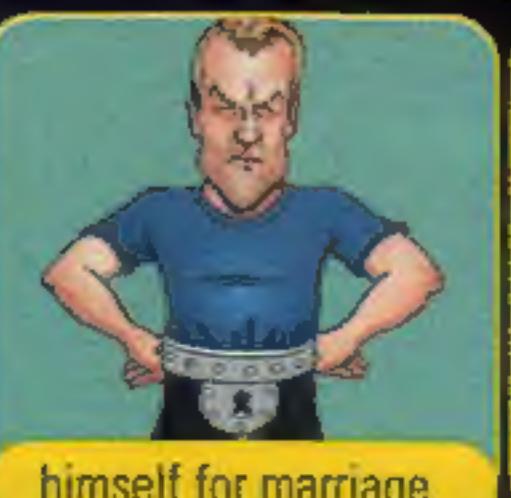
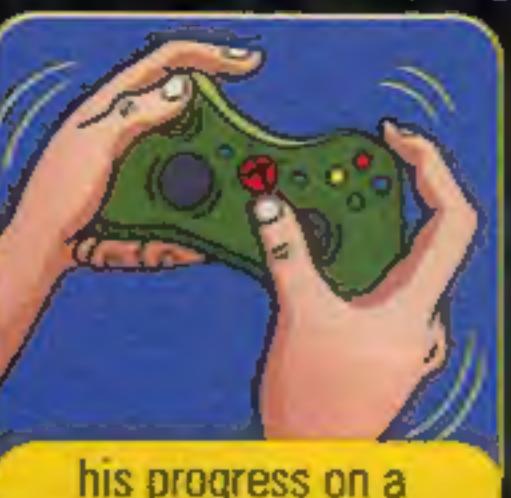
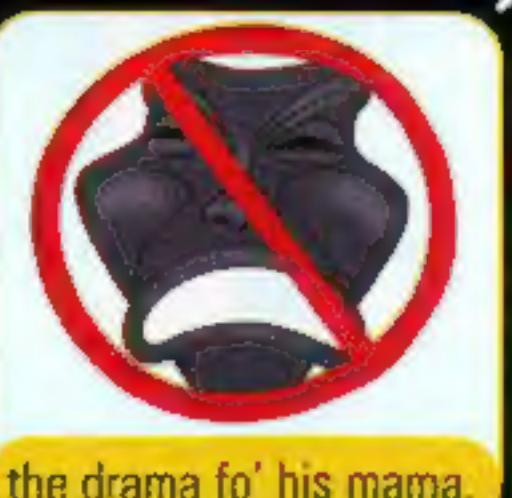
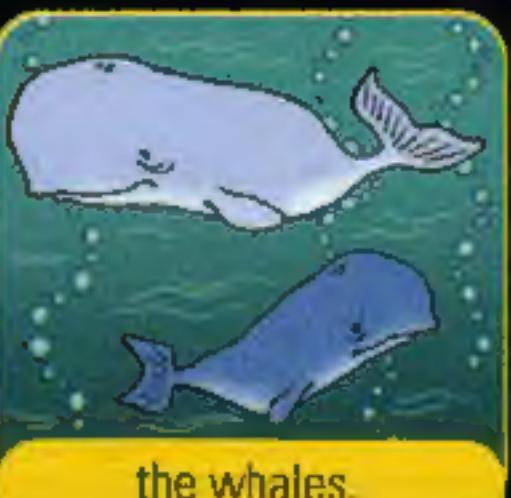
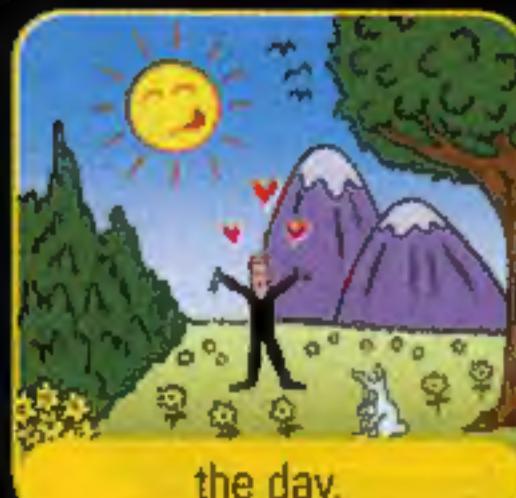
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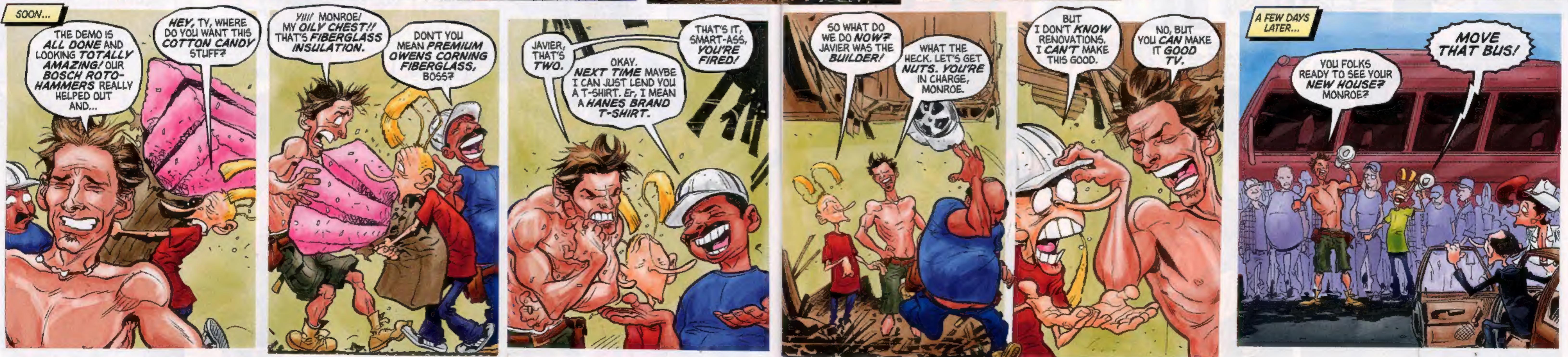
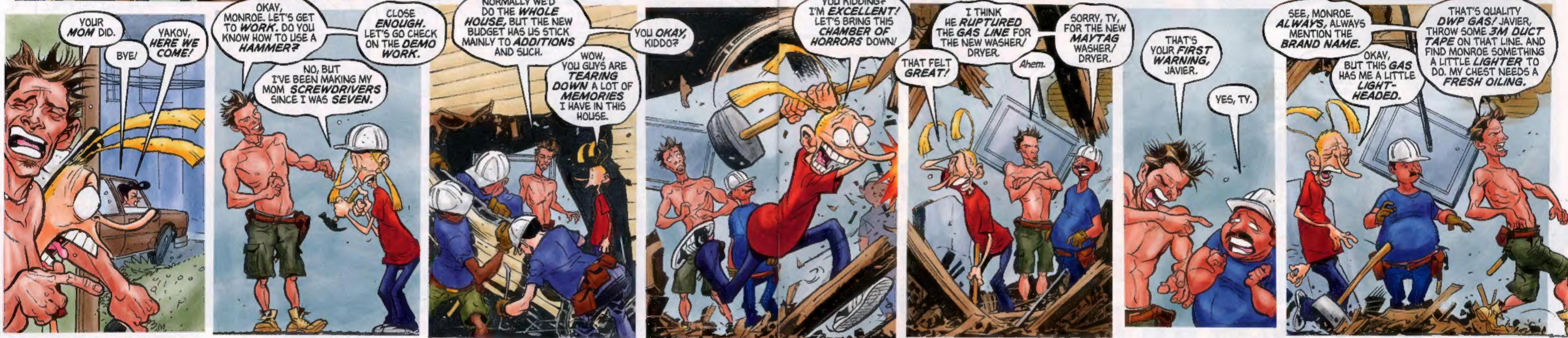
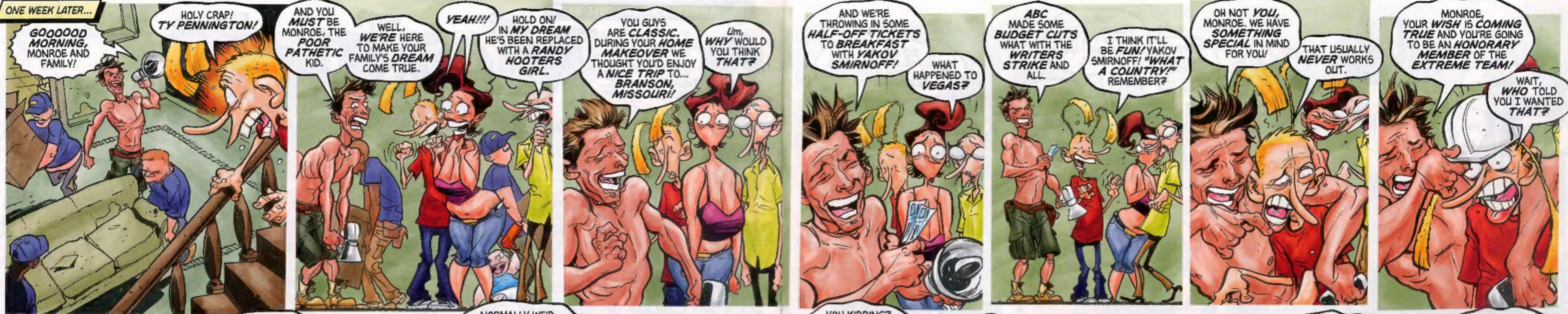


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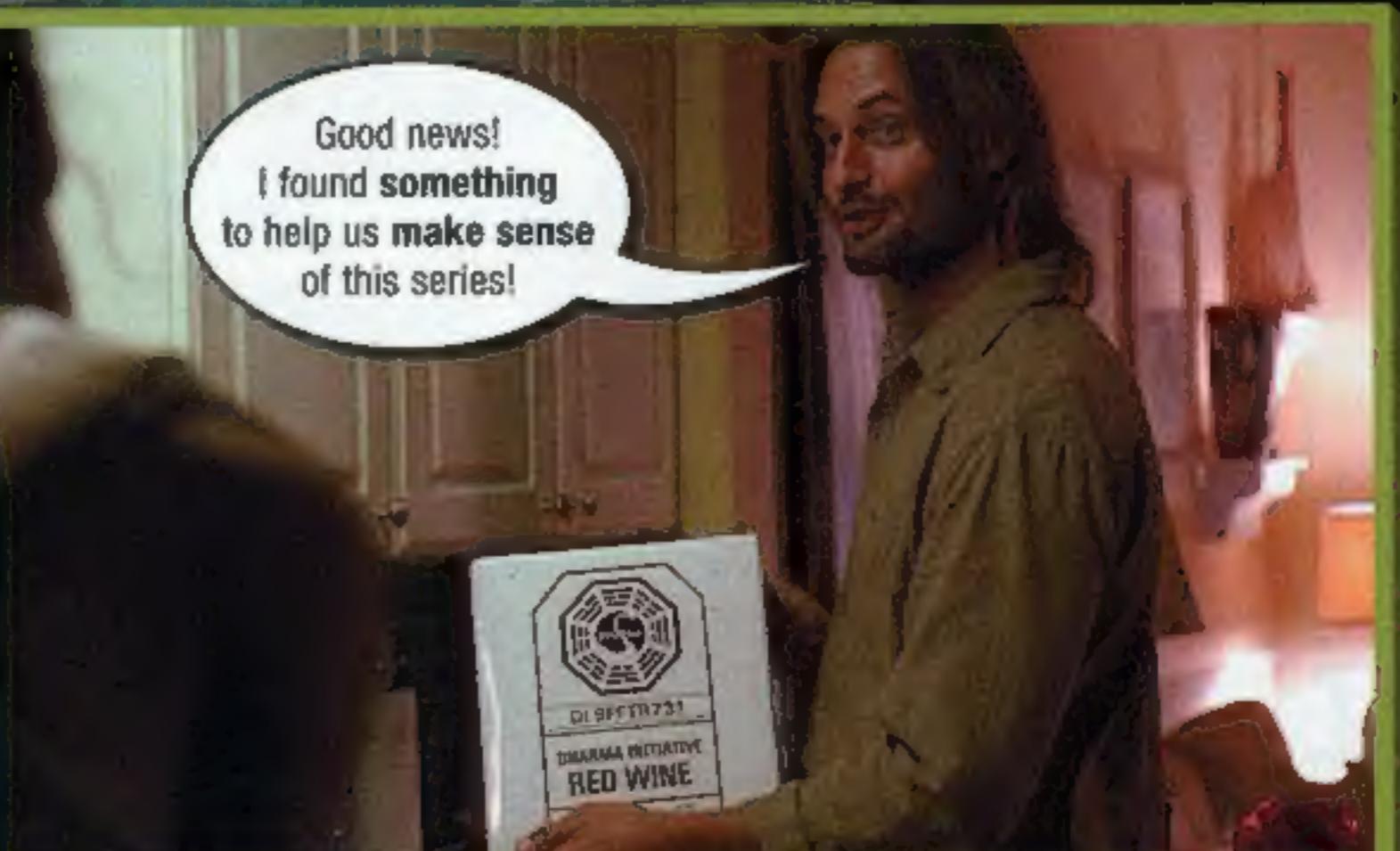
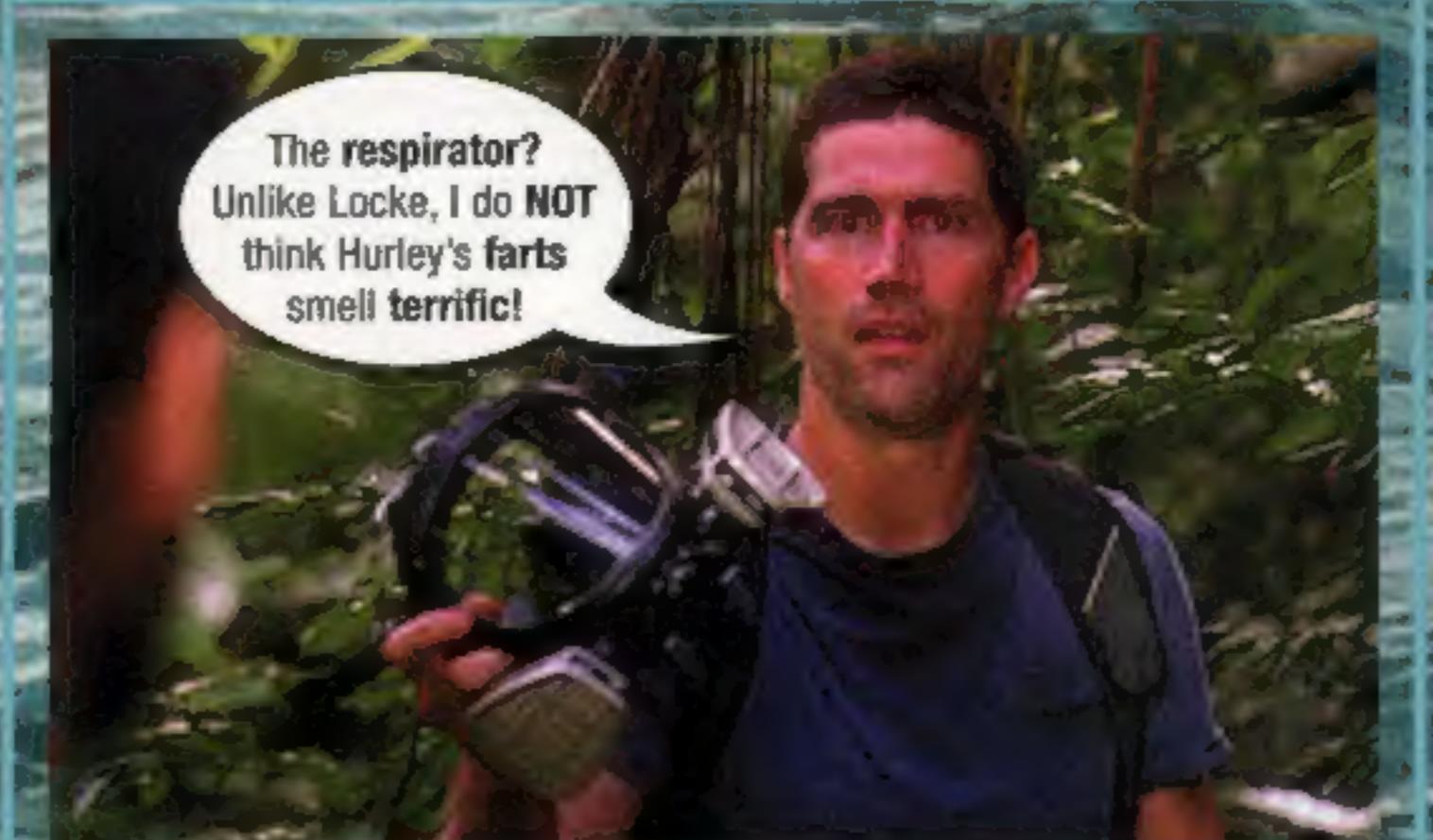
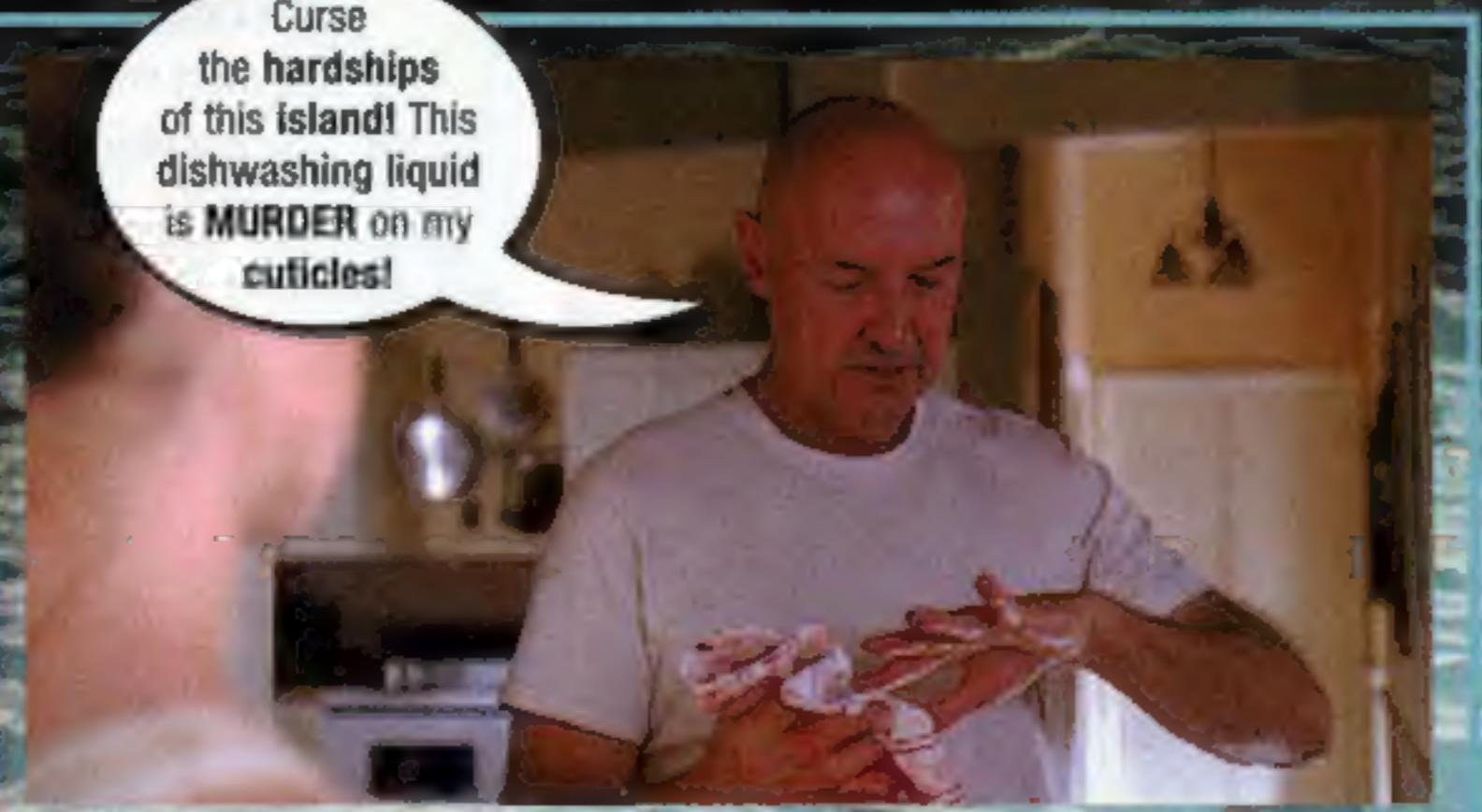
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